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CHARACTER PROFILES

AKITO would do anything for his friends, including throwing down the gauntlet and engaging the Jupiterians in battle. Akito has faced insurmountable odds and has lost his vision, but this hasn't stopped him. As long as he can use the mecha's cybernetic eyes he'll remain in the front lines.

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CAPTAIN KAGUYA is a childhood friend to both Yurika and Akito and rival for Akito's affection. Captain Kaguya is a formidable opponent and the Captain of the most advanced battleship in Earth's fleet (also known as the Kaguya).

RURI is the current captain of the Nadesico, and a child prodigy. Although barely in her teens, Ruri has proven herself to be a great strategist and leader.
CAPTAIN YURIKA
Was top of her class in the academy and the former Captain of the Nadesico. Yurika has been kidnapped by th so-called Jupiterians because they believ her to be the reincarnation of their leader, the Shaman Himiko.

THE STORY SO FAR:

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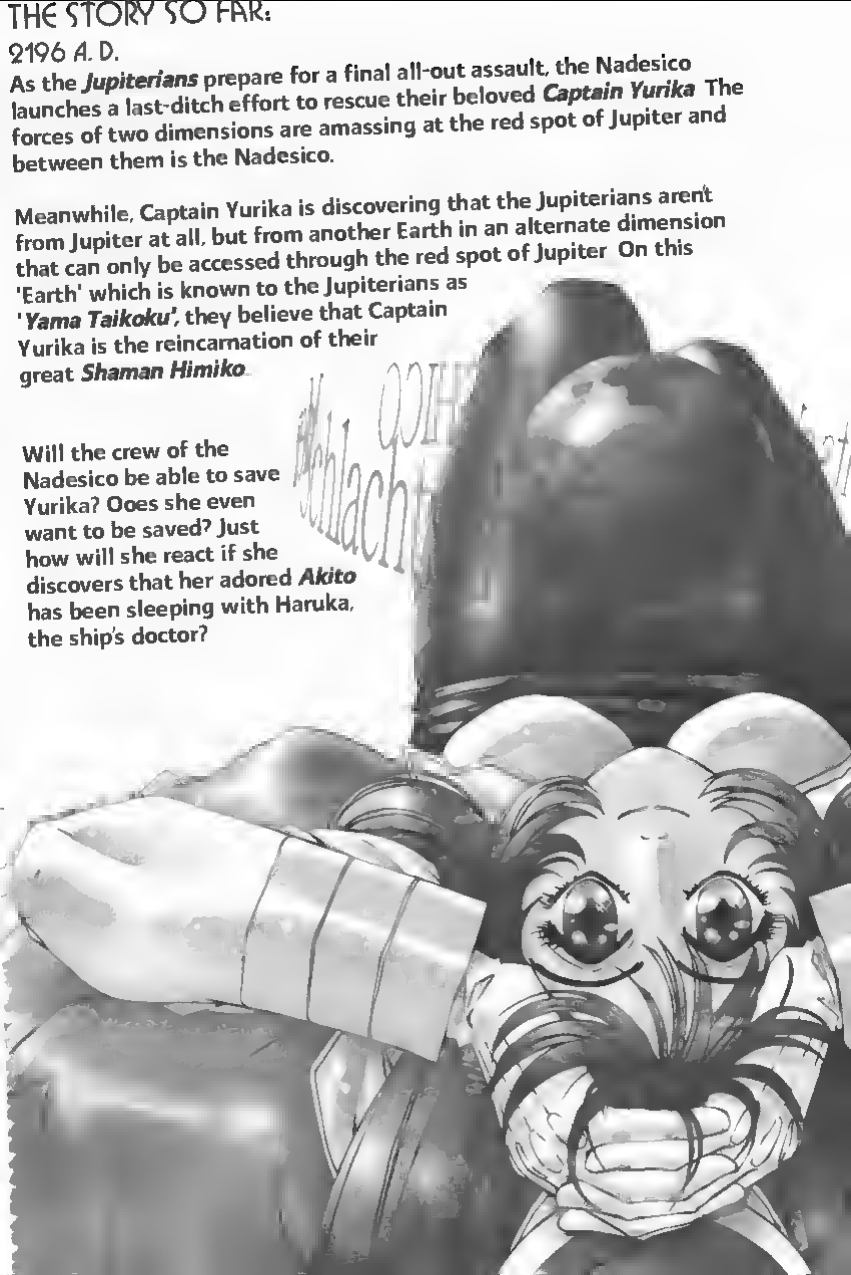
As the ***Jupiterians*** prepare for a final all-out assault, the Nadesico launches a last-ditch effort to rescue their beloved ***Captain Yurika*** The forces of two dimensions are amassing at the red spot of Jupiter and between them is the Nadesico.

Meanwhile, Captain Yurika is discovering that the Jupiterians aren't from Jupiter at all, but from another Earth in an alternate dimension that can only be accessed through the red spot of Jupiter On this 'Earth' which is known to the Jupiterians as '***Yama Taikoku***', they believe that Captain Yurika is the reincarnation of their great ***Shaman Himiko***.

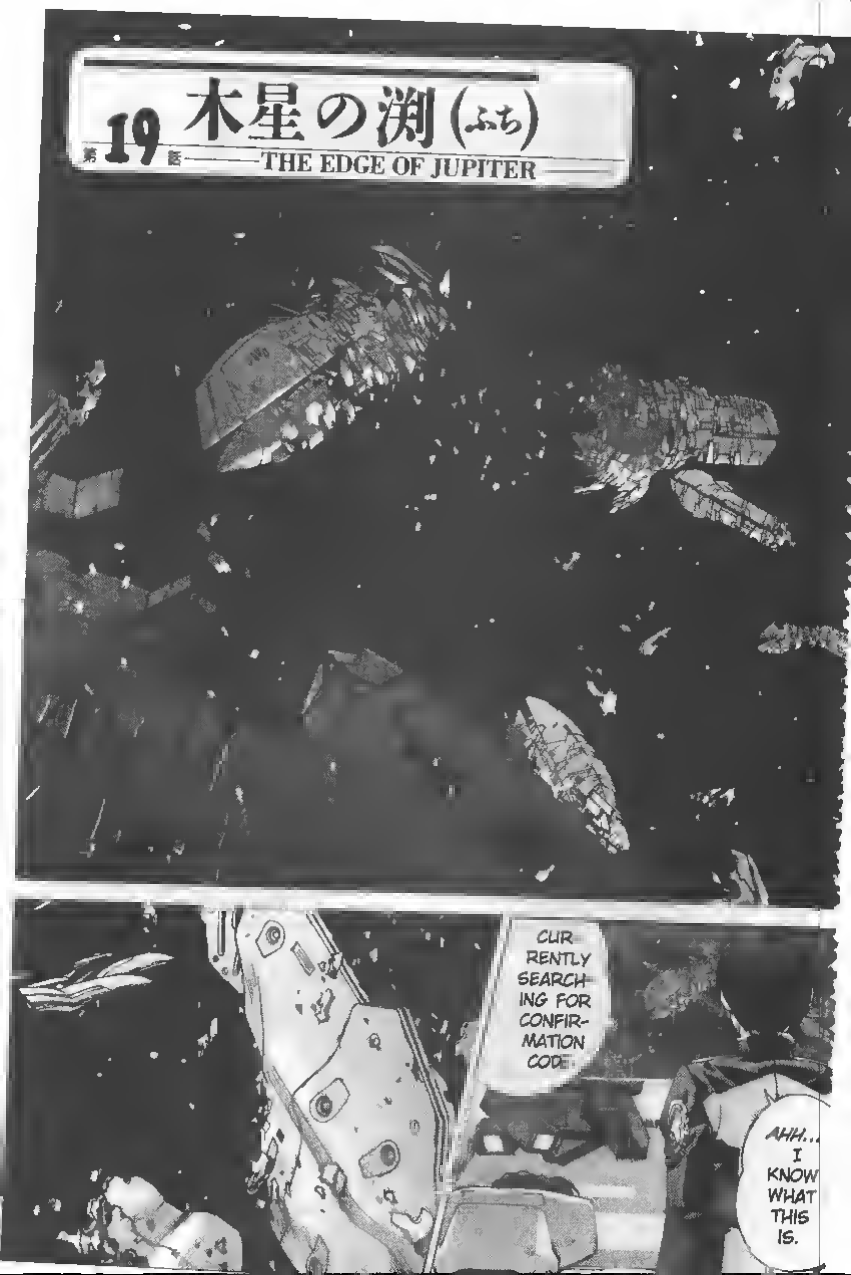
Will the crew of the Nadesico be able to save Yurika? Does she even want to be saved? Just how will she react if she discovers that her adored ***Akito*** has been sleeping with Haruka, the ship's doctor?



6,000 SECONDS TO DESTIN-ATION.
PREPARE EXABYTE SQUAD FOR ATTACK!
TROOPS, STAND BY AT SET D!
PILOTS BOARD YOUR SHIPS AND STAND BY.
THIS LOOKS LIKE WAR!
IRM!
NOW'S MY CHANCE TO PROVE MYSELF! TO EARTH AND THE JUPITERIANS!!

RECEIVING CONFIRMATION OF AN ENORMOUS OBJECT AHEAD MEASURING 30.5 KM IN LENGTH.
IT IS MOST LIKELY AN ENEMY FORTRESS.
DAMN.

第19話 木星の渕（ふち）
THE EDGE OF JUPITER



ONE MINUTE TO EXOZE-DRIVE SHUT OFF.
SHIFTING TO NORMAL CRUISING MODE.
3,000 SECONDS TO DESTI-NATION.
GRAVITY BRAKE AT FORTY-SEVEN PERCENT.
VVVRRRM.
MMM
.....
JUPITER!
WOW... THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN IT WITH MY OWN EYES!
WHAT'S THAT!?

...THE REMAINS OF AN ALLIED FORCES WRECK.
DIS-PATCH EXA-BYTE SQUAD-RONS!
KEEP THEM CLOSE TO NADESICO TILL WE KNOW THE SITUATION.
THIS IS THE MOMENT I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!
LET'S GO, RYOKO!!
OH BOY, HE SOUNDS DIFFER-ENT NOW.
HA, HA, HA, HA, HA, HA.

VVR
RMM
!?
IT'S...

ESCAPE CAPSULE CODES X-2041 Y-3223 Z-5241 CONFIRMED.
AND...
HARUKA...
I KNOW.
THIS IS IT!
WHERE DID HIKARU AND IZUMI GO?
THEY'VE FOUND AN AREA WITH MORE CAPSULES. LET'S BRING THEM BACK WHEN THEY GET HERE
THE CAPSULES ARE BEING COLLECTED. ALL MEDICAL PERSONNEL TO PLATFORM.
OH YEAH, INES ISN'T HERE ANY-MORE.
ANY SIGN OF LIFE?
IF YOU'RE SHORT-HANDED, I CAN FILL IN.
I'LL GO WITH YOU.

OUR FIRST PRIORITY IS TO RESCUE SURVIVORS.
FOCUS ON CONFIRMING SIGNS OF LIFE AND THE RESCUE CODE.
ALL DIRECTIONS CLEAR IN THE RADAR ROOM.
I DOUBT THERE'S ANY SURVIVORS FROM THIS WRECK.
YOU SURE HAVE CHANGED.
blink
98!?
WHERE ARE YOU?
HEH, HEH, HEH.
I'M IN YOUR EXABYTE NAVIGATION SYSTEM I ASKED URIBATAKE TO MAKE ROOM FOR ME IN HERE.
WHAT!?
WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO?
I AM GOING TO HELP YOU!!
I DON'T NEED YOUR HELP!! I'M A DIFFERENT PERSON NOW!!
WHIRR
WHIRR
DON'T BE SILLY, AKITO
THAT AKITO SURE LIKES TO TALK.

HEADS UP!!
THEY'RE COMING!! IS THIS A TRAP!?
GREAT! GREAT!
NOW THIS IS HOW IT SHOULD BE!!
MAXI-MIZE DISTOR-TION FIELD!!
GOT IT!!

RRUM
NADESICO IS HOVERING IN JUPITER'S ORBIT.
LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE TRYING TO RESCUE THE ALLIED TROOPS, BUT...
I CAN'T BELIEVE THE ALLIED TROOPS WERE WIPED OUT.
ADMIRAL HOUMEI...
CAPTAIN, I SUGGEST WE KEEP CRUISING IN BATTLE-PREP MODE.
THE JUPITERIANS...
I MEAN YAMATO IS STILL OUT THERE
HUH?

HERE'S A HIGH VOLT-AGE SKIFF!! TAKE THAT!
WHAT A CINCH! AND THEY CALL THAT A NEW MODEL! HA!

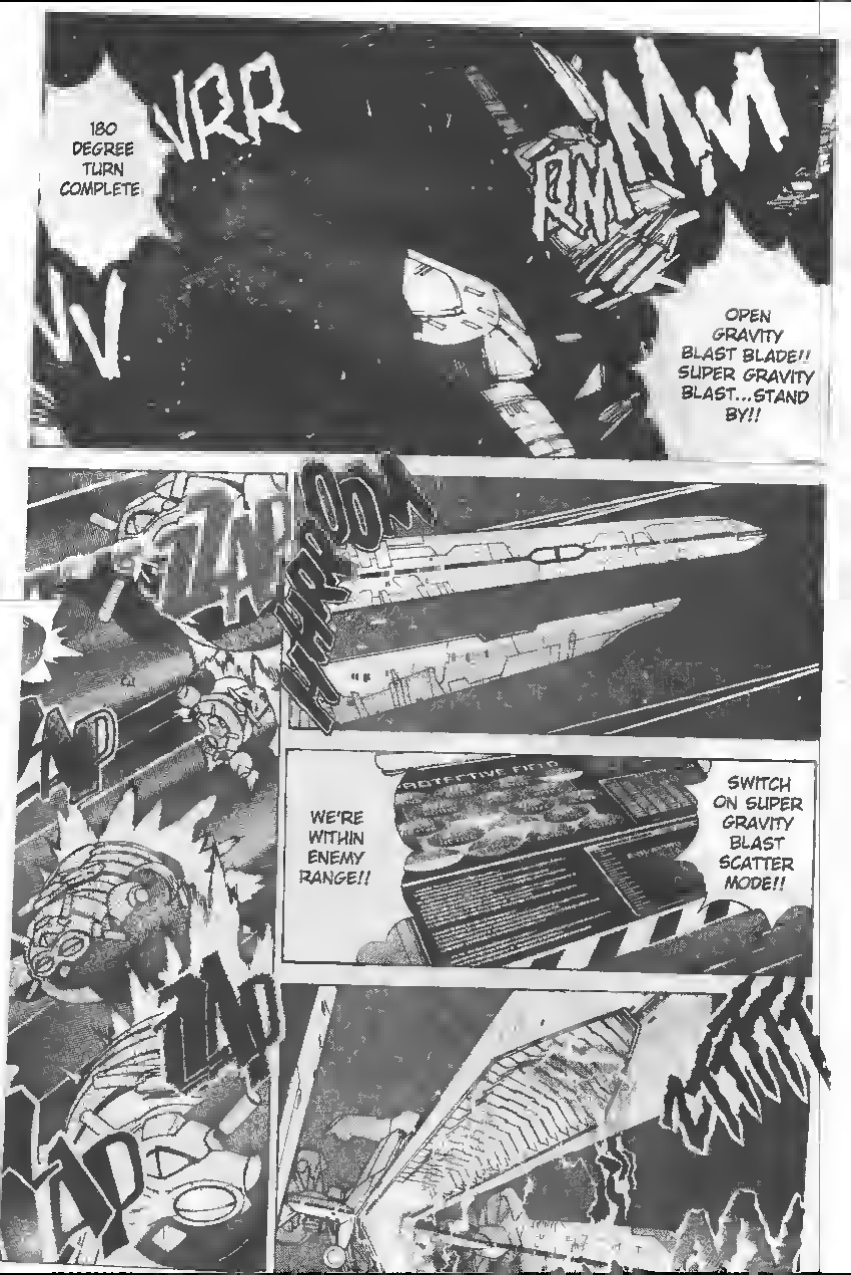
BAM
BAM
BAM

BE CARE-FUL!! THE NEW JUPITERIAN MODELS...
...ARE EQUIPPED WITH GRAVITY BLASTERS.
RIGHT.
WHAT!?
VV
RR
RM
THE JUPI-TERIANS ARE NOT THE ENEMY
THAT'S JUST WHAT EARTH CALLS THEM.
THE ENEMY IS YAMATO!!
IT'S THE NAME OF ANOTHER EARTH IN A PARALLEL UNIVERSE.

UH UHR RUM
THE JUPITERIANS ARE AFTER US!
.....
HOW STRANGE.
AKITO... WHERE ARE YOU GOING!? THAT'S ENOUGH!
BLAM! BLAM!
BLAM! BLAM!
AKITO!! ENOUGH! YOU'VE PROVEN YOURSELF!!

BLAM
BLAM
BLAM
A GRAVITY BLAST DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING IF IT MISSES ITS TARGET
HUH?
THERE'S NO ONE OUT HERE.
BE-CAUSE YOU WERE SO INTO THE FIGHT, AKITO.
NOT EVEN THE NADE-SICO.
98!
MADESICO'S GRAVITY WAVE WAS DIVERTED AWAY FROM THE FIELD AREA
YOU'VE GOT FIFTY-FOUR MINUTES LEFT ON THE BATTERY WHAT WILL YOU DO?

BLAM!
BLAM!
PAP
PAP
GOOD THING WE CHANGED THE DIRECTION OF THE DISTORTION FIELD.
BUT IT WON'T LAST LONG. WE'D BETTER BRING THE EXABYTE TROOPS BACK.
HHRM
WE MANAGED TO SAVE IT!!
WE'RE ABOUT TO PENE-TRATE ONE OF JUPITER'S RINGS!!
WHEN WE HIT IT, LAUNCH THE DAMI-CHAF!!
AND REVERSE DIREC-TION!


180 DEGREE TURN COMPLETE
VRR
RMMM
OPEN GRAVITY BLAST BLADE!! SUPER GRAVITY BLAST...STAND BY!!
ZAP
ZAP
ZAP
ZAP
KHRROK
PROTECTIVE FIELD
WE'RE WITHIN ENEMY RANGE!!
SWITCH ON SUPER GRAVITY BLAST SCATTER MODE!!
CLICK

WHAT WILL I DO!? WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME ALL THIS BEFORE!!? WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU HERE FOR ANYWAY!?
BUT AKITO, YOU WERE SO ENGROSSED IN BATTLE THAT I DIDN'T WANT TO INTERRUPT YOU
"BUT AKITO" MY ASS, WE'RE GONNA BE LOST IN SPACE, AREN'T WE!?
WHIRRR
WHIRR
NO. BEFORE THAT THE BATTERY WILL DIE AND WE WILL RUN OUT OF OXYGEN AND
YOU WILL DIE.
BUT I CAN SURVIVE WITHOUT OXYGEN AND RUN ON SOLAR POWER...SO I WILL BE FINE
ALL YOU THINK ABOUT IS YOUR-SELF!!
YOU HAD BETTER TRANSFER THE BATTERY TO THE VARNIA AND LET'S TRY TO FIND NADESICO.
BUT WHERE?
AKITO
I AM UNABLE TO LOCATE IT WITHIN EXABYTE'S SCAN AREA.

FIRE!
ZAP

ONE MINUTE LEFT ON THE BATTERY!!
DAMN... OUT HERE IN THE MIDDLE OF... DAMN!
AREN'T YOU GLAD YOU SWITCHED TO THE ASSAULT PITS OTHERWISE YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN DEAD THIRTY MINUTES AGO
YEAH, YEAH, I KNOW!
SO I HAD THIRTY EXTRA MINUTES TO LIVE.
IF YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO SURVIVE THIRTY MORE MINUTES...
!

THAT'S NOT ALL THE ENEMY'S GOT, IS IT CAPTAIN?
NO, IT'S NOT... THEIR NUMBERS AND FIRE POWER ARE FAR GREATER THAN THAT.
CAPTAIN, JUST BEFORE YOU WERE SAYING THAT THE JUPITERIANS AREN'T THE ENEMY.
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT.
BUT THAT'S IT FOR NOW. THEY'VE DISAP-PEARED.
YOU SAID YAMATO, OR SOME-THING.
THAT'S RIGHT.
IT'S AN EARTH BATTLESHIP. ISN'T RURI HOSHINO ON BOARD?
!

第20話 さらなる真実

THE TRUTH

HEY, SOME-THING'S UP THERE!
98, DO YOU SEE THAT!?
YES, IT IS A SINGLE ROBOT
IT IS A BLACK STEALTH ROBOT
IT HAS A SKULL EMBLEM ON ITS CHEST
SKULL EMBLEM?
I GET IT...
HHRRRMM
THAT'S WHY TOSHIRO...

I THOUGHT YOU WERE JUST A MANGA CHAR-ACTER!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SAVED ME.
YES...
IN ORDER TO SURVIVE IN THIS UNIVERSE, YOU'RE GOING TO NEED MORE TRAINING.
I JUST HAPPEN TO BE THIS UNI-VERSE.
I SEE.
I HAVEN'T DECIDED IF I'M GONNA KEEP LIVING IN THIS UNIVERSE OR NOT.
AND YOU JUST HAPPENED TO RESCUE YURIKA MISUMARU?
WHAT?
YOU'RE LACKING INDEPEN-DENCE, AS USUAL.
GUK GUK

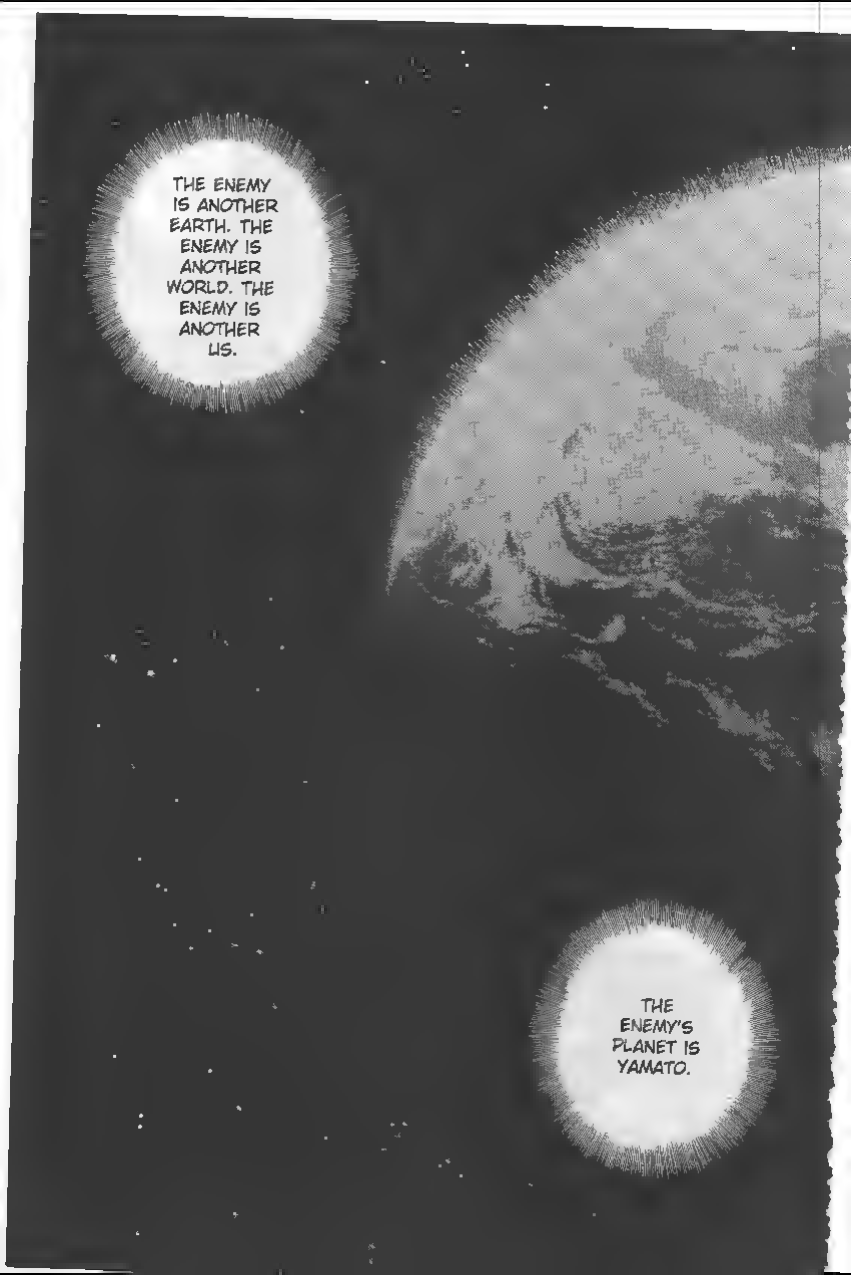
ARE YOU AWAKE, AKITO TEN-KAWA?
MY NAME IS GOVERN-MENT.
CAPTAIN GOVERN-MENT.

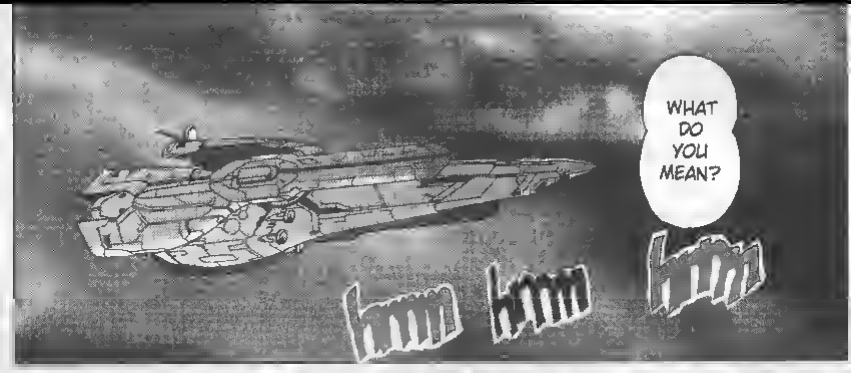
WOW...
WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO NOW? HOW WILL YOU FIGHT?
WILL YOU JUST KEEP ON LIVING LIKE YOU ARE?
YOU'RE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM YAMATO'S AKITO TENKAWA.
!!
YAMA-TO'S...
VREEE
VREEE
VREEE
AKITO?

GRR
THAT'S WHAT 98 SAYS.
HMM
LOOK.
!!
THAT'S MY SHIP.
THE PIRATE SHIP, SPACE WANDER-ER.
VREEE
VREEE
VREEE
VREEE
!!

HIMIKO HAS BEEN RE-VIVED.
SHE HAS COME BACK FROM YOMI TO LEAD YAMATO AGAIN.
KA... KAGUYA... ONIKIRI-MARU?
NO.
TSUKI-YOMI, YOU'RE LYING.
YURIKA MISU-MARU IS DEAD
HA, HA, HA, HA, HA, HA... SHE HAS COME BACK AS A GODDESS.
—AS THE GREAT GODDESS AMATERASU HIMIKO HAS ORDERED ME TO SEARCH FOR THE SACRED TREASURES WHICH YOU PEOPLE HAVE TAKEN...
...AND COMMENCE INVASION OF THIS UNIVERSE.
YOU DO UNDER-STAND, DON'T YOU, RURI HOSHINO?

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RURI HOSHINO.
ARE YOU REALLY RURI HOSHINO?
YES, I AM.
THEN STOP THIS UNREASONABLE RESISTANCE.
YOU ARE FROM YAMATO...
I KNOW.
THAT'S WHY...
I'M HEADED FOR YAMATO! THAT WAS HIMIKO'S AND...
...YURIKA MISUMARU'S WISH.
THAT'S WHY I...


THE ENEMY IS ANOTHER EARTH. THE ENEMY IS ANOTHER WORLD. THE ENEMY IS ANOTHER US.
THE ENEMY'S PLANET IS YAMATO.

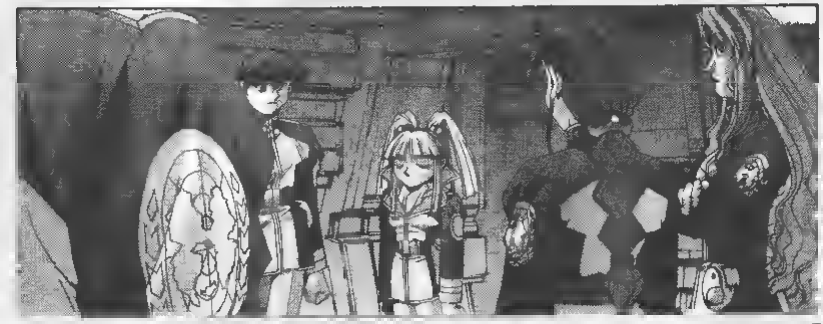

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
hmm hmm hmm

TSUKIYOMI AND CAPTAIN KAGUYA LOOK EXACTLY ALIKE.
AND IT'S NO ILLUSION.

YOU MEAN JUPITERIANS ARE HUMAN?
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...

WE'VE BEEN FIGHTING THEM THINKING THEY'RE ALIENS.
IT'S QUITE A SHOCK, ISN'T IT?

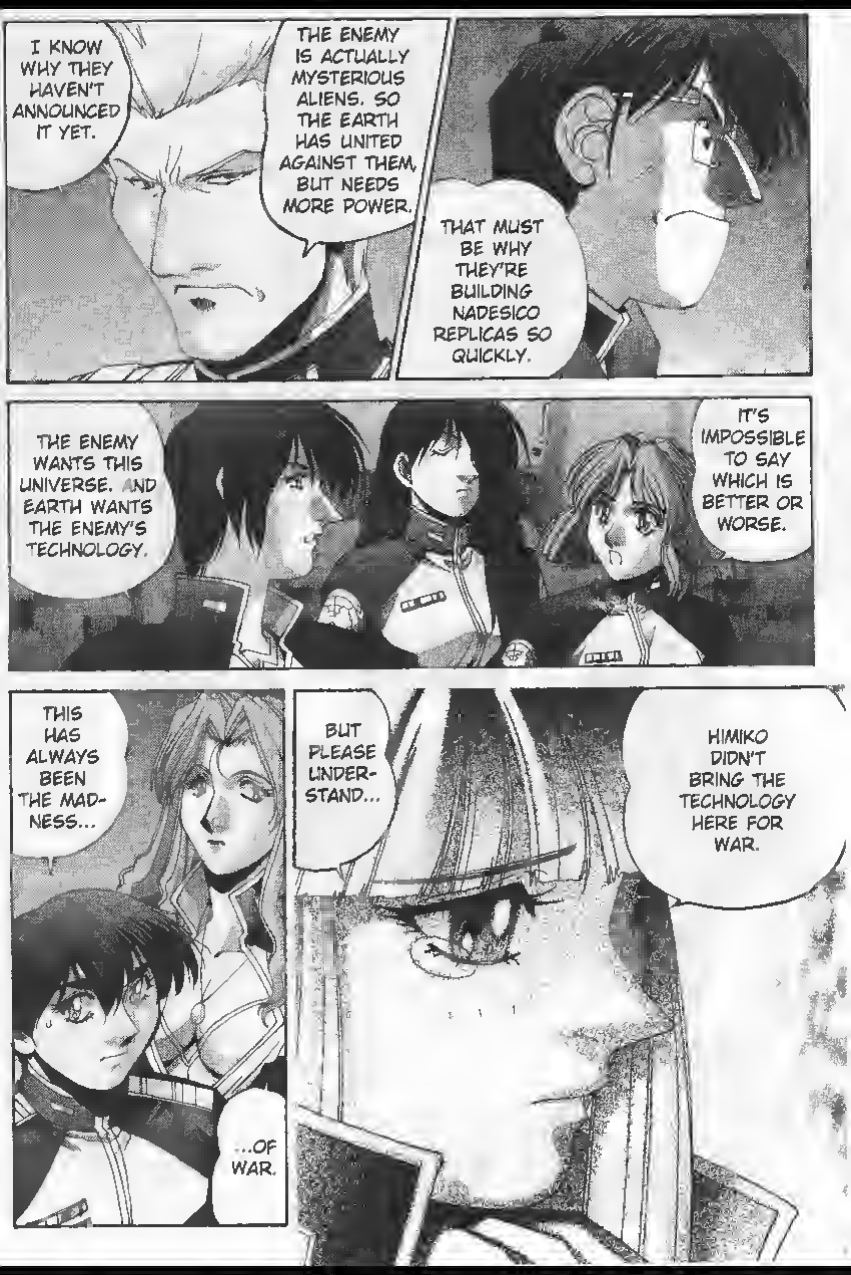
LET'S ASK THE CAPTAIN...
...TO EXPLAIN.



BUT HOW DO YOU KNOW ALL THIS, CAPTAIN RURI?
YEAH, HOW COME?
BECAUSE I USED TO WORK FOR HIMIKO.
I'VE ALSO BEEN TO THE OTHER EARTH.
AS A SPY?
NO. HIMIKO LOST HER LIFE BRINGING YAMATO'S TECHNOLOGY HERE. I WAS WITH HER.
PART OF THAT TECHNOLOGY IS AT THE MARS RUINS. I WAS JUST THE NAVIGATOR OF THE NADESICO UNIT. I WASN'T A SPY.
BUT DOES THE EARTH'S FEDERATION GOVERNMENT KNOW ABOUT THIS?
THEY PROB-ABLY DO.

YAMATO'S SOLAR SYSTEM IS DYING. CAPTAIN YURIKA WAS KIDNAPPED BECAUSE YAMATO WANTS TO MAKE HER THE NEW SHAMAN KING.
THE REAL YUMIKO WAS KILLED IN THE COUP D'ETAT... SO THEY NEED EARTH'S YURIKA MISUMARU TO SERVE AS HER REPLACEMENT.

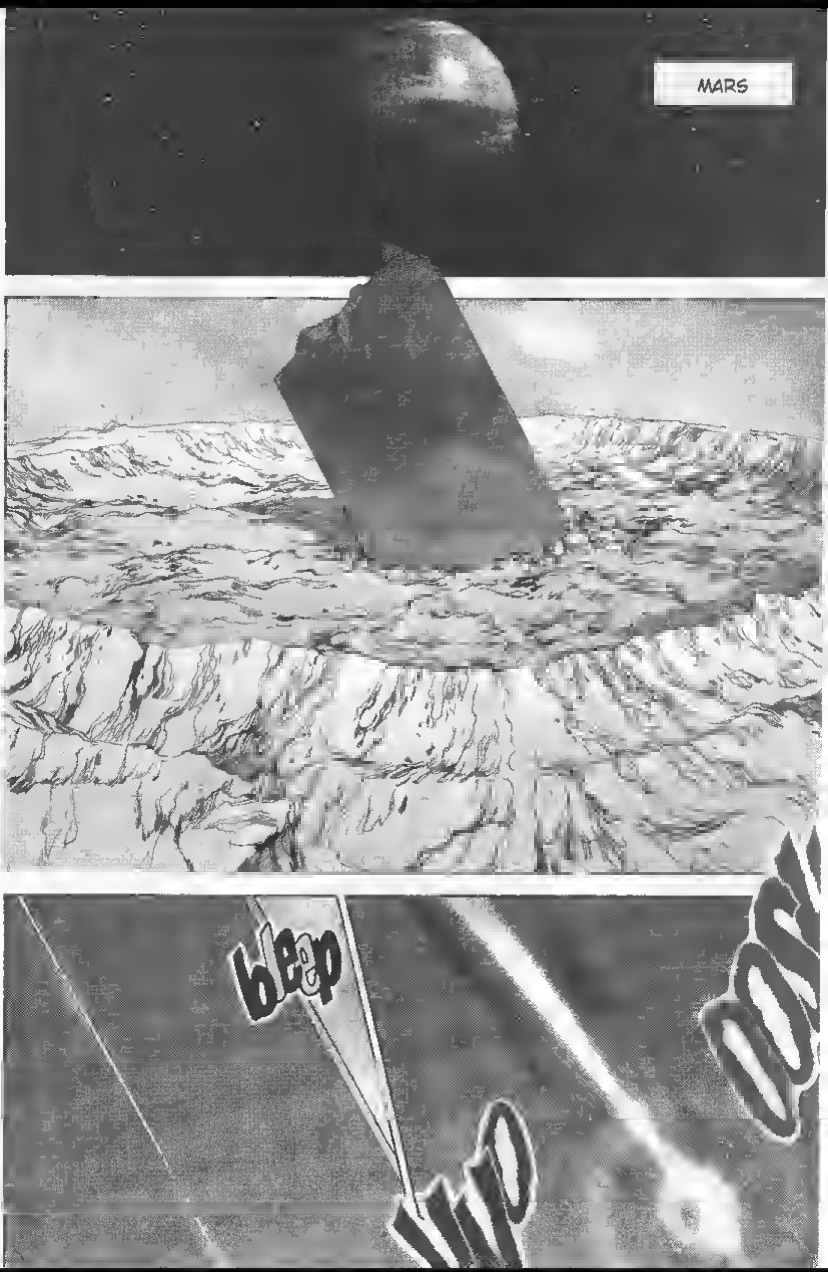
YAMATO'S AKITO TENKAWA IS YOUNG AND AMBITIOUS. HE'S CALLED SUSANONO. HE TOOK OVER AS LEADER WHEN HIMIKO DIED.
MAYBE YOU COULD BE A LITTLE MORE LIKE HIM.
WHAT-EVER...
PEOPLE ARE DIFFER-ENT.
TRUE.
I JUST THINK IT'S GOOD TO HAVE BIG DREAMS WHETHER OR NOT THEY'RE POSSIBLE
DREAMS THAT CAN CHANGE THE WORLD.


I KNOW WHY THEY HAVEN'T ANNOUNCED IT YET.
THE ENEMY IS ACTUALLY MYSTERIOUS ALIENS. SO THE EARTH HAS UNITED AGAINST THEM, BUT NEEDS MORE POWER.
THAT MUST BE WHY THEY'RE BUILDING NADESICO REPLICAS SO QUICKLY.
THE ENEMY WANTS THIS UNIVERSE. AND EARTH WANTS THE ENEMY'S TECHNOLOGY.
IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO SAY WHICH IS BETTER OR WORSE.
THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE MADNESS...
...OF WAR.
BUT PLEASE UNDERSTAND...
HIMIKO DIDN'T BRING THE TECHNOLOGY HERE FOR WAR.

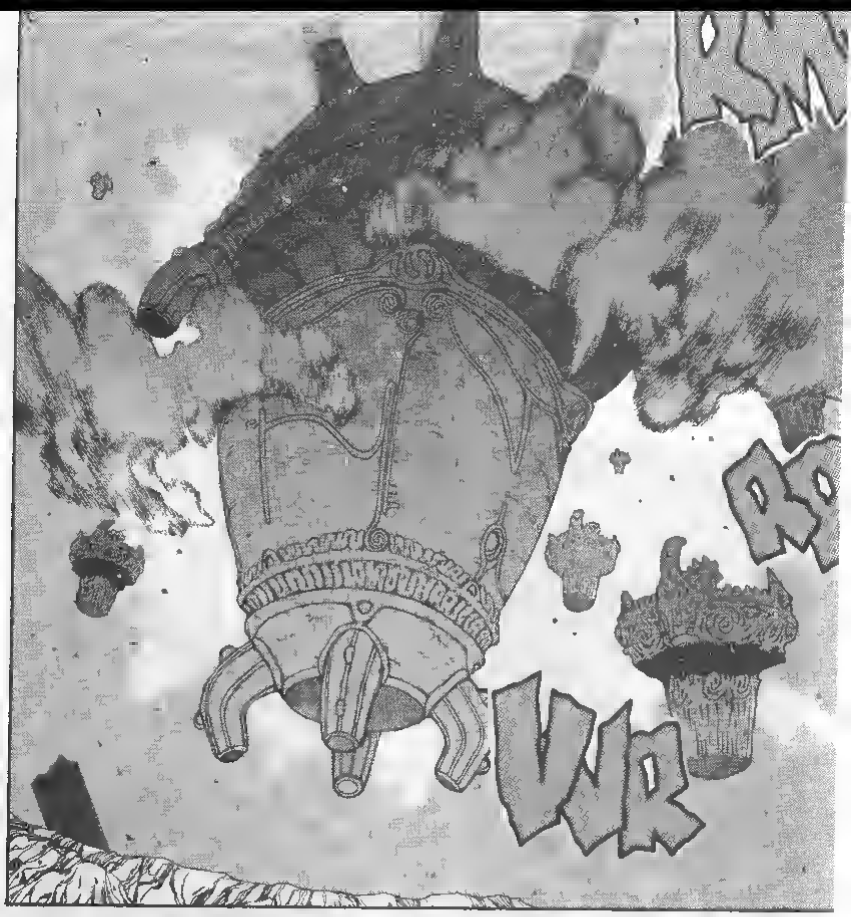
IF YOU LIVE WITHOUT A PURPOSE, IT'S THE SAME AS BEING DEAD. YOU SHOULD THINK ABOUT WHY YOU'RE ALIVE
VREEE
VIREE VREEE
ARE YOU SAYING I SHOULDN'T BE ALIVE IF I HAVE NO PURPOSE?
I DIDN'T SAY THAT. THERE'S A REASON EVERY PERSON IS BORN.
THERE HAS TO BE A PURPOSE. I'M NOT SAYING YOU NEED TO FIND IT RIGHT NOW.
JUST BE THINKING ABOUT IT.
?????
HMM.
YOUR EXABYTE HAS BEEN RECOVERED
CLANG
I'LL BE SENDING YOU TO NADESICO
CLANG
CLANG
THAT.. GOVERNMENT... I'VE SEEN HIM..
..SOMEWHERE BEFORE.

KREEE
HE'S QUITE IMPRESSIVE. I WOULDN'T SAY HE'S A GOOD PERSON. BUT HE'S GOT BIG PLANS AND AN AWFUL LOT OF AMBITION
DREAMS?
DO YOU INTEND TO WASTE YOUR LIFE BY NEVER SETTING ANY GOALS? THERE ARE PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD WHO THINK TIME HAS NO VALUE
TIME DOES HAVE A VALUE. YOU CAN'T BUY BACK TIME YOU'VE ALREADY SPENT.
HMM.
IT DOESN'T COME BACK.

AA
WWW


MARS
bleep

LISTEN UP, EVERYONE, WE'VE FOUND ONE OF THE MISSING SACRED TREASURES ON THE MOON.
PROCEED AT FULL SPEED!! WE MUST RECOVER THE KUSANAGI SWORD!
VRRR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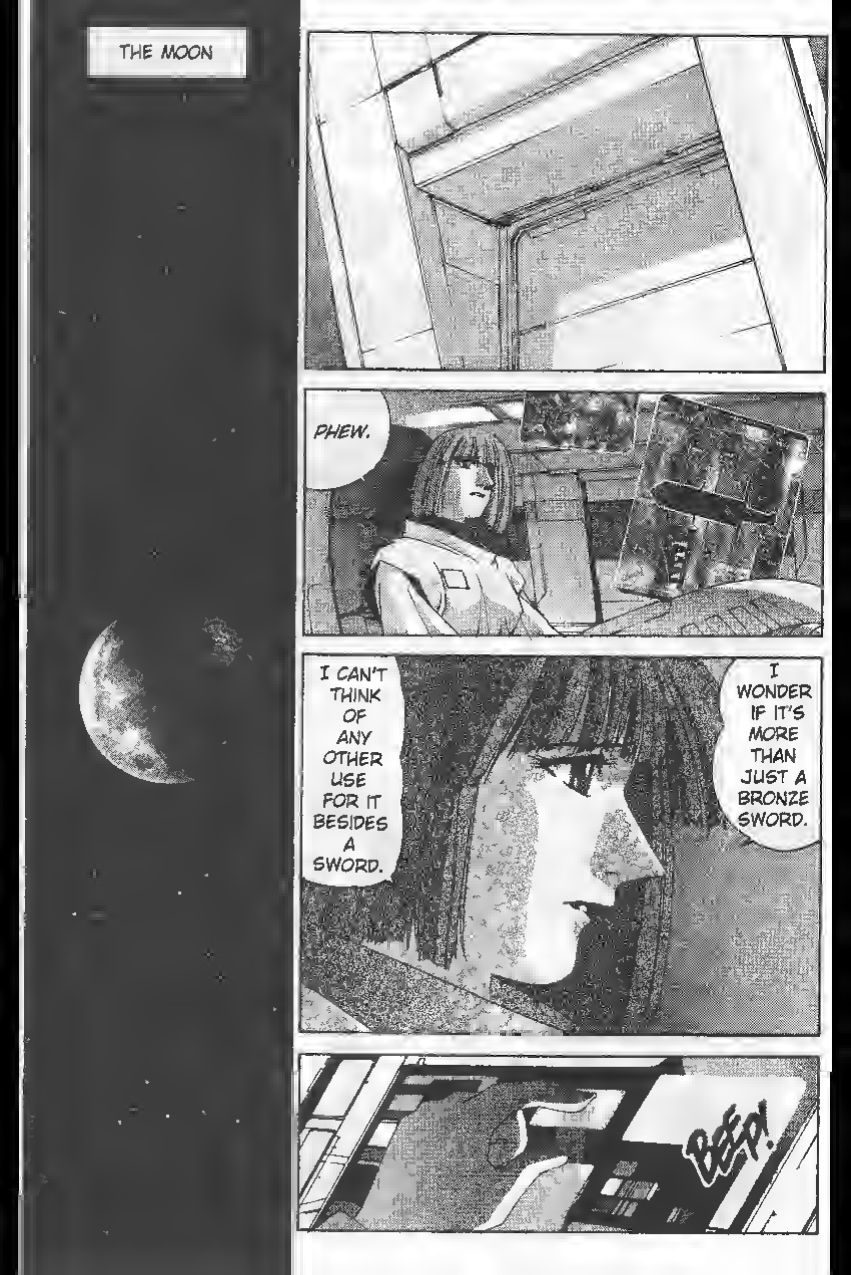
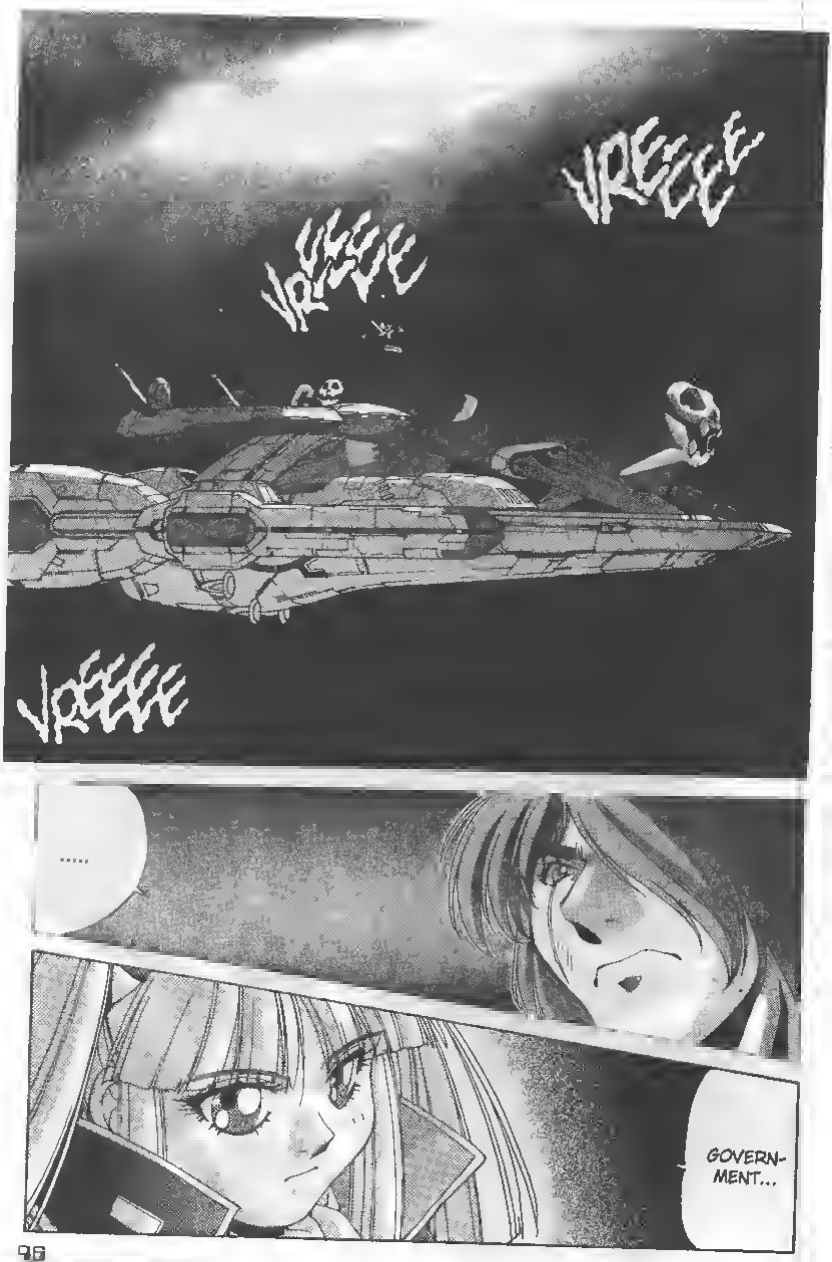
IT'S A GOOD THING THE EARTHLINGS LEFT MARS'S MONORIS WHERE IT IS.
ALL THE MONORISES ON EARTH WERE DESTROY-ED.

RUN A SEARCH ON AKITO TENKAWA.
ROGER.
CONSIDERING THE CURRENT SITUATION ON MARS, HE COULDN'T POSSIBLY HAVE SURVIVED UNTIL NOW.
AKITO TENKAWA
SEARCHING
NOBODY WILL BELIEVE HE FLEW HERE FROM THE DISASTER ON MARS OVER TEN YEARS AGO.
!!
WHAAAT!?
AKITO IS ALIVE!?
AND HE'S THE ONE...
...I BUMPED INTO IN THE HALL.


THE MOON
PHEW.
I CAN'T THINK OF ANY OTHER USE FOR IT BESIDES A SWORD.
I WONDER IF IT'S MORE THAN JUST A BRONZE SWORD.
BEEP!


VREEEE
VREEEE
VREEEE
.....
GOVERN-
MENT...

WHERE IS HE NOW!?
HE'S ABOUT TO BOARD NADE-SICO...
COULD IT BE...?
NADE-SICO?
NADE-SICO!?
VRRM MMM

第21話 ナデシコ緊急会議

EMERGENCY MEETING IN NADESICO

ATTENTION NADESICO CREW, THIS IS GOVERN-MENT, SPACE PIRATE GOVERN-MENT.
I'VE COME TO DELIVER YOUR FRIEND, AKITO TENKAWA, AND HIS ROBOT.
CONFIRMED. WE'VE GOT AKITO AND THE EXABYTE.
I KNOW IT'S SUDDEN, BUT I'D LIKE TO SPEAK WITH YOUR CAPTAIN I UNDER-STAND
HER NAME IS RURI HOSHINO. IF SO, I'D LIKE TO MEET WITH HER.
.....
YES. THIS IS RURI HO-SHINO.
LET'S TALK, GOVERN-MENT.

IT WON'T BE LONG BEFORE THE YAMATO FLEET ABOARD THE FLAGSHIP TAKAMAGAHARA GETS TO THIS UNIVERSE.
I MEAN, JIGAI DAIGO... ARE YOU STILL THINKING ABOUT HIMIKO?
I KNOW, GOVERN-MENT...
I SEE.
I'M DETERMINED TO CARRY OUT HIMIKO'S WISHES AND SQUELCH YAMATO'S AMBITIONS.
I COULDN'T SAVE HER WHEN WE MADE OUR ESCAPE FROM YAMATA-IKOKU
...FOR AS LONG AS I LIVE.
YOU ARE AN IMPORTANT ALLY AND I WILL NEED YOUR HELP.
VRRR
VRRR
AND I STILL DEEPLY REGRET IT.

YES,
IT HAS,
RURI
HOSHINO.

ALL THAT A WORLD WHICH HAS LOST ITS SUN CAN DO IS DIE.
OUR ONLY CHOICE IS TO FIGHT OUR COUNTER-PARTS...
...AND GET THE SUN BACK...
IN HIMI-KO'S NAME!
FHOOO
SO HELP US, GOD!!

YAMATO
HUMM
THE FLAGSHIP TAKAMAGAHARA IS READY FOR LIFT OFF.
HHR
ALL TROOPS, ON COURSE TO EARTH!!

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
DO? THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO WITH NADESICO ALONE.
WITH NADE-SICO...
ALONE...
VREEEN
VREEEN
VREEEN
I WONDER WHY YAMATO HAS BEEN COMING FROM JUPITER.
I GUESS IF THEY WEREN'T, EARTH WOULDN'T BE CALLING THEM JUPITER-IANS.
PERHAPS THE GATE TO THE OTHER UNIVERSE IS ON JUPITER.
IS THAT POS-SI-BLE?
ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT, YAMATO'S MAIN FLEET HAS ALREADY LAUNCHED AN ATTACK.
!
THE ENEMY IS COMING THROUGH A GATE ON JUPITER
IT'S PRETTY CER-TAIN.

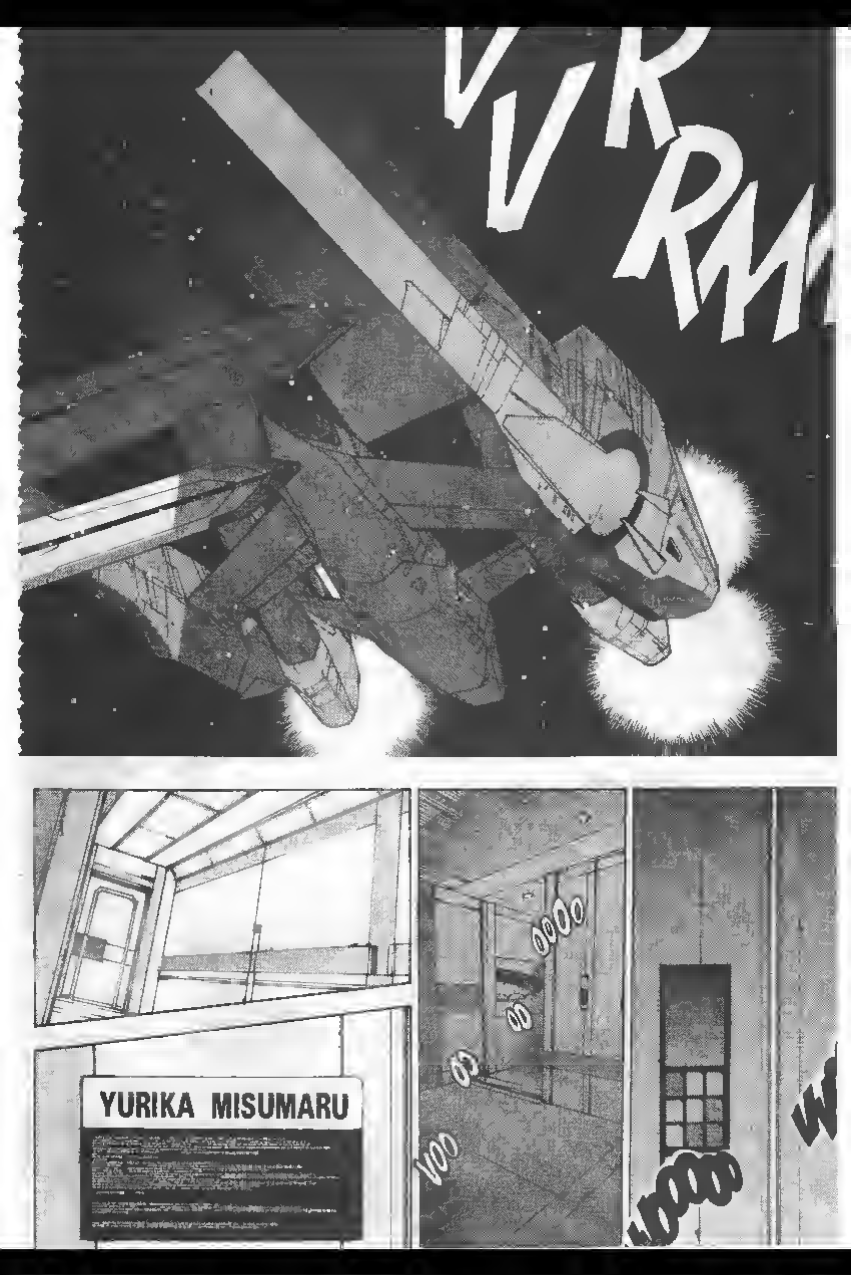
VVOOOO
VVOOOO
WHAT DO WE DO NOW?
作戦艦橋
TACTICAL BRIDGE
WELL, THE EARTH'S FEDERATION FORCES WERE ANNIHI-LATED, RIGHT?
AND THERE AREN'T ANY ENEMIES NEAR JUPITER NOW.
MAYBE WE SHOULD HEAD BACK TO EARTH.
THERE'S NO TRACE OF THE ENEMY ANY-WHERE NEAR HERE.
BUT...
.....
IT APPEARS YAMATO IS INVADING THE MOON BASE.
THE REPORT JUST CAME IN!!
WHAT!?

!!
VVRMM
VVRRMM

ARE YOU REALLY CAP-TAIN KAG-UYA?
I HAVE MY DOUBTS.
WH... WHAT?
.....

THEN WE SHOULDN'T LEAVE THIS POST...
..SHOULD WE?
BUT ISN'T THIS A GOOD TIME TO SEE WHAT NADESICO CAN DO?
YOU THINK WE CAN CHALLENGE THE ENEMY FLEET WITH ONE SHIP?
THAT SOUNDS LIKE THE MANGA AND ANIME WORLD AKITO LIKES SO MUCH.
OR... WE CAN SIMPLY OBSERVE.
IT'S GOING TO TAKE SOME TIME BEFORE EARTH'S FLEET IS RESTORED.
NADE-SICO IS NOT ALONE!
GRRK
YOU HAVE MY NEW SHIP, KAGUYA B, AT YOUR DISPOSAL!
ATTEN-TION, NADE-SICO!
TSU.. TSUKU-YOMI?
NO IT'S THE REAL CAPTAIN KAGUYA!

VVVoooo
VVVo
VVVooo
PZZT

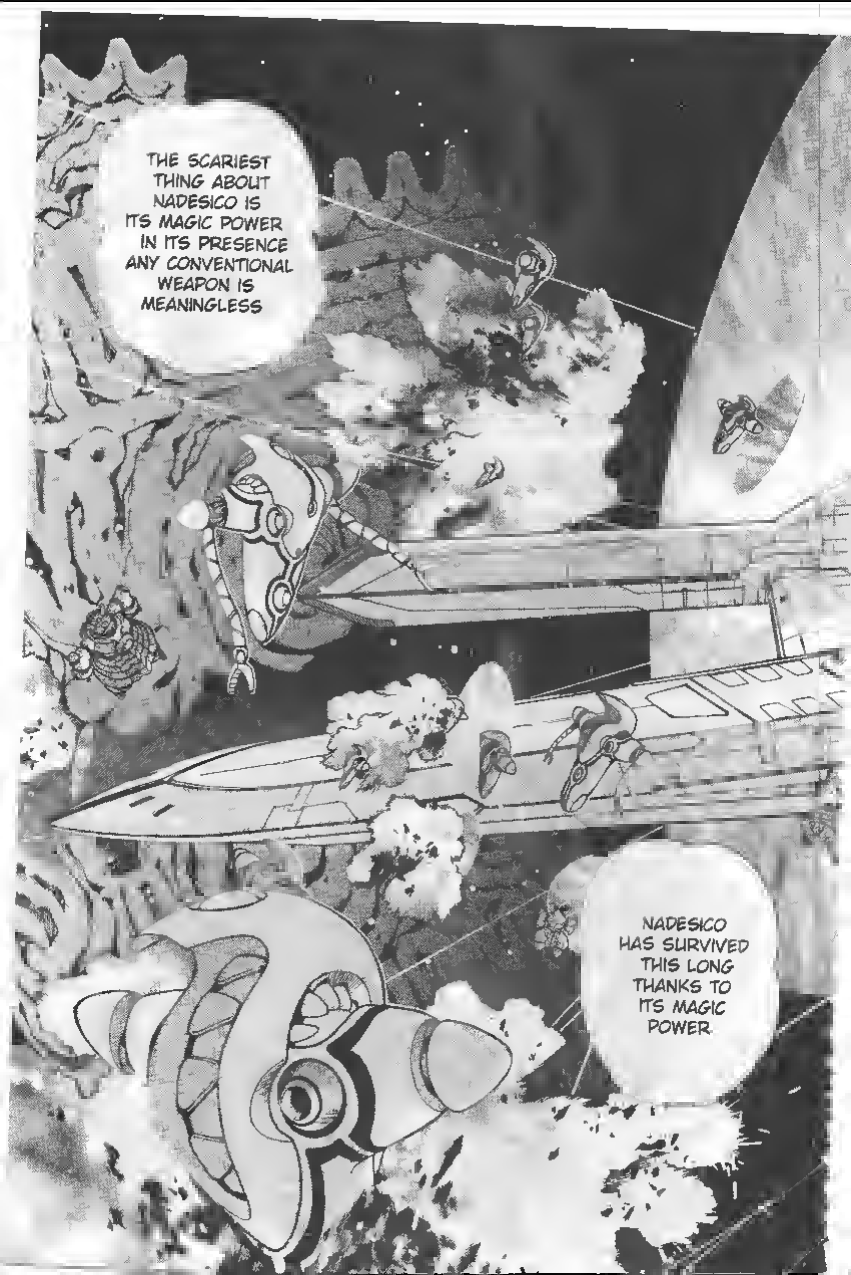

VVRRM
YURIKA MISUMARU
VOO
OOOO
OOOOO

DOES CAPTAIN RURI HAVE A TWIN?
IT'S THE FIRST I'VE HEARD OF IT.
NOW THAT CAPTAIN KAGUYA IS HERE, LET'S PROCEED WITH THE MEETING.
ORIGINALLY, NADESICO WAS A MAGIC SHIP BUILT BY YAMATAIKOKU.
IT HAD MANY PURPOSES RANGING FROM SACRED FESTIVALS TO BATTLE.
ITS MAIN COMPUTER IS NOT A MACHINE.
IT IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN BUILT BY THE GOD OMOIKANE AND WAS AN OBJECT OF WORSHIP
ONLY NUNS AND HIGH PRIESTS SERVING HIMIKO COULD HANDLE IT.
AND WE RURI HOSHINOS ARE THOSE NUNS

第二会議室
conference room 2
THE KAGUYA CREW HAS LANDED.
.....
WHAT'S THIS?

AND THIRTY MILLION YEARS AGO..
...WE WERE FROZEN AND OUR TECHNOLOGY BECAME TODAY'S ANCIENT RUINS.
YOU MEAN YOU TWO CAPTAIN RURIS CAME FROM THE RUINS OF MARS?
.....
WHAT ABOUT THAT MUD DOLL THAT ATTACKED ME ON MARS?
IT'S A MOBILE WEAPON, PART OF THE RUINS.
AS YAMATO'S POPULATION DECREASED, THEY BEGAN PRODUCING MORE UNMANNED WEAPONS
BUT...

WHAT I DON'T GET IS WHY THERE ARE TWO RURI HOSHINOS.
YEAH, I DON'T EITHER.
HIMIKO LED THE REVOLT AGAINST YAMATAIKOKU BECAUSE THEY BEGAN SPREADING THEIR POWER TO THE OTHER UNIVERSE.
THE SOURCE OF THEIR POWER CAME FROM THREE SACRED TREASURES. WE GOT A HOLD OF TWO OF THEM, THE KUSANAGI SWORD AND THE YASAKANI JEWELS AND ESCAPED WITH A FEW NADESICO BATTLESHIPS
HIMIKO LOST HER LIFE DURING THE ESCAPE.
THE TREASURES WERE BLOWN TO PIECES AND ARE SCATTERED AROUND MARS AND THE MOON.


THE SCARIEST THING ABOUT NADESICO IS ITS MAGIC POWER IN ITS PRESENCE ANY CONVENTIONAL WEAPON IS MEANINGLESS
NADESICO HAS SURVIVED THIS LONG THANKS TO ITS MAGIC POWER

THEY WERE OPERATED BY WHAT THEY CALLED A SHIKI GOD.
AND IT SEEMS THEY RETAINED THE WILL OF WHOMEVER MADE THEM.
CURRENTLY THERE ARE TWO NADESICO UNITS IN OPERATION.... THE YAMATO NADESICO AND THE KAGUYA B
BUT I DON'T THINK THE NADESICO COPIES BEING MADE ON EARTH NOW...
.. WILL BE POWERFUL ENOUGH TO FIGHT A WAR.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
ARE THE ORIGINAL NADE-SICOS THAT POWER-FUL?

BUT HOW DID YAMATO GET SUCH DIVINE POWER?
WHERE DID THEY GET SO MUCH POWER? THEY'RE HUMAN LIKE US AND THEIR WORLD IS THE SAME, RIGHT?
WHEN I LOOKED AT THEIR HISTORIC RECORDS, I DISCOVERED THAT THEY NEVER LET POLITICS INTERFERE WITH RELIGION.
THAT'S WHY SO MANY GODS WERE ABLE TO SURVIVE.
I DON'T GET IT.
HMM... I DON'T GET IT, EITHER.
ANYWAY, YOU'RE SAYING NADESICO IS POWERFUL, RIGHT?

THAT'S HOW THE NADESICO UNITS ARE. BUT THE ENEMY, YAMATO, HAS THE SAME TECHNOLOGY. THAT'S THE PROBLEM.

AKITO, ARE YOU AL-RIGHT?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, MEGUMI?
RIGHT NOW I'M MONITORING THE MOON BASE. THEY'RE STILL FIGHTING.
LUCKY YOU. YOU HAVE SOME-THING TO DO
HUH?
HA HA HA NEVER MIND. JUST HANG IN THERE
UHH.. YEAH.

VVREEE
VREEE
AKITO TENKAWA
WHAT THE HECK SHOULD I DO NOW?
WHAT SHOULD I DO?

I...
I...I DON'T THINK I CAN BE...
..YOUR PRINCE.
SORRY, YURIKA.

YURIKA MISUH
SIGH
SHOOP
bleep
bleep
HHRRVV
YUR-
IKA...
MY
PIC-
TURE...

HAVEN'T THE FEDERATION REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED YET? WE NEED A BATTLESHIP AS POWERFUL AS NADESICO.
IT'LL BE ANOTHER 2 HOURS BEFORE THEY GET HERE
DAMMIT... WE DON'T HAVE TILL THEN!!
THESE ARE JUST NADESICO COPIES! IF WE DON'T GET A SHIP WITH ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT WE'RE SUNK...
OFFICER SARASHINA, IT'S DR. TENKAWA.
OK!
LET'S LAUNCH THE KUSANAGI SWORD WITH THE MASS DRIVER!!
IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING, IT WILL FALL INTO THE HANDS OF THE ENEMY!
MASS DRIVER!?
BU.. BUT... TOWARD WHAT!?
NADESICO!!
ZAP
PAP
PAP
PAP
LAUNCH IT AT NADESICO!

MOON BASE
KAB
OO
M
BAM
BLAM BLAM
BLAM BLAM
RRR
HH
RRR
BOM
ZZ
ZOWWW

COMPLETE KUSANAGI SWORD MOUNT!! PREPARE FOR LAUNCH!! TARGET THE NADESICO ORBITING JUPITER!!
VRRRN
VRRRN
DR. TENKAWA, WE'RE READY TO COMMENCE COUNTDOWN!!

IF WE CAN MOVE JUST ONE OF THEM...
THERE ARE SOME MASS CATCHERS LEFT AT EULOP'S LA GRANGE POINT!

SO THAT'S THE CURRENT SITUATION, CAPTAIN RURI.
I THINK WE'RE GOING TO LOSE THE MOON BASE AND WE'RE CERTAIN THE ENEMY IS FRANTICALLY SEARCHING FOR THE KUSANAGI SWORD.

HURRY!! BEFORE THE MASS DRIVER EQUIPMENT IS DE-STROYED!!
I'LL ASSUME FULL RESPON-SIBIL-ITY!!
WE'LL JUST SAY IT WAS ENTIRELY MY DECISION!!
UHH...OK. IF YOU SAY SO. I'LL GET THE KUSANAGI SWORD MOUNTED ON THE RAIL!
HAVE YOU LOCATED THE KUSANAGI SWORD!?
NO... NOT YET!
VRM
VRM
VRM
IT'S DEFIN-ITELY SOME-WHERE ON THE MOON!!
EXPAND SENSOR RANGE!!
GET IT BEFORE THEY FIGURE OUT HOW TO USE IT!!
PP WWWOO

KABOOM
CAPTAIN RURI, IS THERE A YOUNG MAN NAMED AKITO TENKAWA ABOARD?
LIVE MOON BASE AYANA TENKAWA
YES, THERE IS.
IF POSSIBLE, I'D LIKE TO SPEAK WITH HIM
CERTAINLY. I'LL TRANSFER YOU TO HIS ROOM.
BLA
KA
WE'VE LOCATED THE KUSANAGI SWORD!! IT'S ON THE LAUNCH RAIL.
HMMM...SO THEY INTEND TO LAUNCH IT FROM THE MOON. DESTROY IT AND THE LAUNCHER!
KA-WOOO

第22話 月は燃えているか？

CAN YOU SEE A BLAZING MOON?

VRR
ASUKA
VRR
VRR
VRR
VRR
VRR
WHIRRHH
WHIRRHH
WHIRRHH
YAMATO BETTER NOT ATTACK...
...UNTIL AFTER THE LAUNCH.
OFFICER SARASHINA!
WHAT!?
COMMANDER YAHATA... HAS BEEN KILLED...
HIS ESCAPE POD WAS...

AKITO?
AKITO?
HUH? WHO'S THERE?
HUP
LIVE MOON BASE AYUMA TENKAWA
...ISN'T IT?
AKITO? YOUR NAME IS AKITO TEN-KAWA...
UHH... YEAH...
UHHH... YOU'RE THE WOMAN I BUMPED INTO ON THE MOON.
YOU'RE ALL GROWN UP...
...AKITO.
HUH?

WE'RE READY TO LAUNCH THE SWORD AT NADESICO. WE'RE NOT SURE WHAT KIND OF POWER IT HAS.
IT MUST BE IMPORTANT BECAUSE THE ENEMY IS AFTER IT. THIS MAY BE OUR ONLY CHANCE TO SAVE THE EARTH...
I'VE LOOKED AT ALL THE DATA ON NADESICO AND ITS CREW. NADESICO IS OUR ONLY HOPE. NADESICO IS THE ONLY ONE WE CAN..
.....
...EN-TRUST WITH THE SWORD
BIAA
MSZ
AAUGH
!!
DR. TENKAWA!! WE'RE UNDER ATTACK!! DR. TENKAWA!! HURRY!!
PHOOO
PHOOO
PHOOO
UUUGH
AKI... TO...

MO.. MOTHER... I...I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...DID YOU...
DID YOU FLY THROUGH TIME? HOW'S DAD?
.....
I'M SORRY I WASN'T A GOOD MOTHER.
I ONLY REMEMBER YOU AS A BABY...
SO I'M GLAD I COULD SEE YOU THIS ONE LAST TIME.
THANK GOD I COULD.
ONE LAST TIME? WHAT DO YOU MEAN, 'ONE LAST TIME?'
MOTHER!!
PAAP
ZAPPAP
HERE WE GO!!

$800

PROMISE ME YOU'LL... SURVIVE, AKITO. PLEASE SURVIVE.. PLEASE FIND A WAY...
FIND YOUR TRUE PATH AND STICK TO IT. THAT'S THE PURPOSE OF A HUMAN BEING'S LIFE.
NO ONE'S LIFE IS WITHOUT MEANING.
NOW THAT YOU'RE ON NADESICO, YOU SHOULD...
AKITO... I'M GLAD... I GOT TO SEE YOU...
...ALL GROWN UP.
NOW I CAN... JOIN... YOUR FATHER.
MOTHER!
MOTH...

WOO o OSHH
THE KUSANAGI SWORD HAS BEEN LAUNCHED.
WHAT!?
ITS DESTINATION IS JUPITER!!
EEEEEEEE
VVVREEE
THE MOON IS... TURNING... WHITE-HOT!
MASS DRIVER LAUNCH OF THE KUSANAGI SWORD CONFIRMED. IT SHOULD REACH JUPITER IN TWO WEEKS.

BOOM

.....
PPPP
MOTH...
ER...
SHHHP
PPPP
MOTHER.
MOTHER...

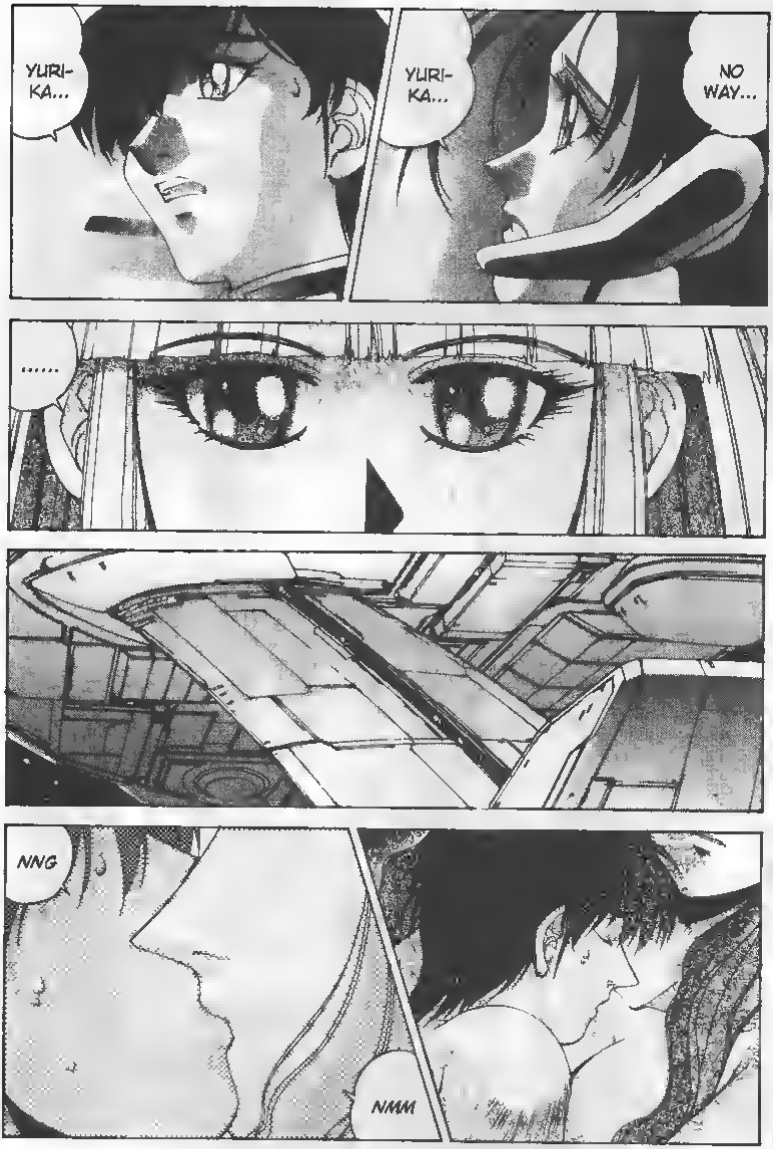
WE'D BETTER HEAD FOR JUPITER, TOO!
BY THEN PROJECT AMATERASU SHOULD BE IN OPERATION.
ALL SHIPS TO JUPITER!!
PEEEEEE
YAMATO'S HEADING OUR WAY.

THE ENEMY IS EMERGING FROM JUPITER'S RED SPOT!!
YEP JUPITER IS THE GATEWAY.
THAT'S THE BIGGEST SHIP I'VE EVER SEEN...
IT'S THE FLAG-SHIP...
TAKAMA-GAHARA...
IT'S HIMIKO'S SHIP.
HUUURM...
UUHRMM

TWO WEEKS LATER
HHRRMM
HHRRMMM
HHRRMMM
HHRRMM
HHRRMM

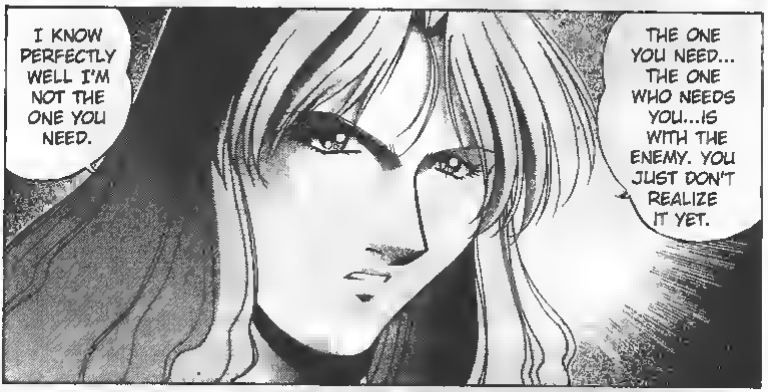
IF YOU PEACEFULLY SURRENDER YOUR EARTH, IT WILL STILL BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SURVIVE. THIS UNIVERSE IS ENORMOUS. YOU CAN SEARCH FOR A NEW SOLAR SYSTEM.
IF NOT, I WILL HAVE TO DESTROY YOU, ALONG WITH THIS FILTHY, PATHETIC SOLAR SYSTEM.

CAN NADESICO AND KAGUYA FIGHT SOMETHING THAT BIG?
WE HAVE NO CHOICE.
82
!?
THE RELAY SATELLITE HAS BEEN DESTROY-ED.
THE ENEMY FLEET IS HEADED THIS WAY.
THEY SHOULD REACH US IN TWO HOURS.
.....
ATTENTION EARTH'S BATTLE-SHIPS... THIS IS HIMIKO, THE SHAMAN KING.
!
WE DO NOT BELIEVE IN FUTILE BATTLES. THE DIFFERENCE IN OUR MILITARY CAPABILITIES IS EVIDENT.
I'M ASKING THAT YOU SURREN-DER.
I'LL GIVE YOU ONE HOUR TO THINK ABOUT IT.
EVEN THOUGH OUR SENSE OF TIME IS DIFFERENT, ARE WE NOT THE SAME HUMAN BEINGS ...THE SAME JAPANESE? LET US NOT HASTEN TO DEATH.


YURI-KA...
YURI-KA...
NO WAY...
.....
NNG
NMM

IF YOU FAIL TO REPLY, I WILL ASSUME YOU DO NOT INTEND TO SURRENDER AND WILL COMMENCE WITH PROJECT AMATERASU!!
YU... YURIKA!?
DO YOU UNDERSTAND? YOU HAVE A TOTAL OF THREE HOURS. I'M EXPECTING A FAVORABLE RESPONSE.

HA... HARUKA?
FLUFF
FLUFF
MM...
THAT'S ENOUGH... I'M THROUGH...
...PLAYING THE ROLE OF WET NURSE.
HARUKA... I...
WHAT WERE YOU EXPECTING WHEN YOU STARTED THIS? HMPH. I'M REALLY PISSED OFF.


I KNOW PERFECTLY WELL I'M NOT THE ONE YOU NEED.
THE ONE YOU NEED... THE ONE WHO NEEDS YOU...IS WITH THE ENEMY. YOU JUST DON'T REALIZE IT YET.

THE ONE I NEED? THE ONE WHO NEEDS ME?
I DON'T UNDERSTAND. HARUKA... I...I... AM NOT NEEDED BY ANYONE...

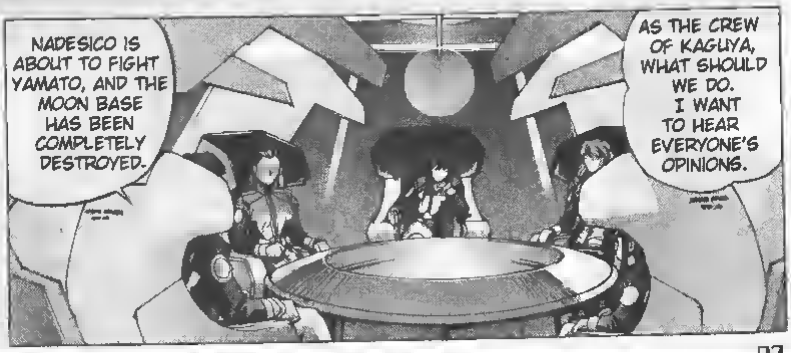
AHHHN...
TREMBLE
.....
HAAAH
SQUEEZE
OOOOU
!
HUFFF

ATTENTION CREW, PREPARE FOR PHASE ONE!! PREPARE FOR PHASE ONE!! EXABYTE PILOTS, BOARD YOUR CRAFTS AND STAND BY.
VVVRREEEN
VRREEEN
HRRM
HRRM
OUR MISSION WAS TO RETRIEVE NADESICO, NOT TO FIGHT....
YAMATO.

SIGH
AKITO TENKAWA
HARUKA
yank
THERE'S ONLY ONE WOMAN IN THIS WORLD WHO NEEDS YOU.
.....
ONLY ONE?
YOU'D BETTER JUST DECIDE WHERE YOU'RE GOING.
I'VE GOT MY HANDS FULL OF MY OWN TROUBLES.
SHOOP
WELL... THE FIGHTING SHOULD BEGIN SOON.
SHOOP
...

I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD TRY TO ESCAPE THIS SITUATION.
IT'S AGAINST THE SPIRIT OF THE WARRIOR.
WE SHOULD FIGHT. KAGUYA'S POWER IS SUPERIOR EVEN TO NADESICO.
WE'VE GOT A GOOD CHANCE OF WIN-NING..
WE SHOULD JOIN FORCES WITH NADESICO. THE BATTLE DATA CAN BE SENT TO THE FEDERATION IN REAL TIME.
IT MAKES SENSE FOR US TO FIGHT.
RURI HOSHINO, DO YOU THINK WE HAVE A CHANCE OF BEATING YAMATO?
NO I DON'T, BUT...
...WE WON'T KNOW UNLESS WE TRY!
THAT'S RIGHT.
YURIKA HAS AND WILL ALWAYS BE MY RIVAL... LIFE IS NO FUN WITHOUT A RIVAL.

第23話 最終決戦
THE FINAL BATTLE


NADESICO IS ABOUT TO FIGHT YAMATO, AND THE MOON BASE HAS BEEN COMPLETELY DESTROYED.
AS THE CREW OF KAGUYA, WHAT SHOULD WE DO. I WANT TO HEAR EVERYONE'S OPINIONS.

MM
HHM
WWWH
IT'S TIME...
HIMIKO.
YES....

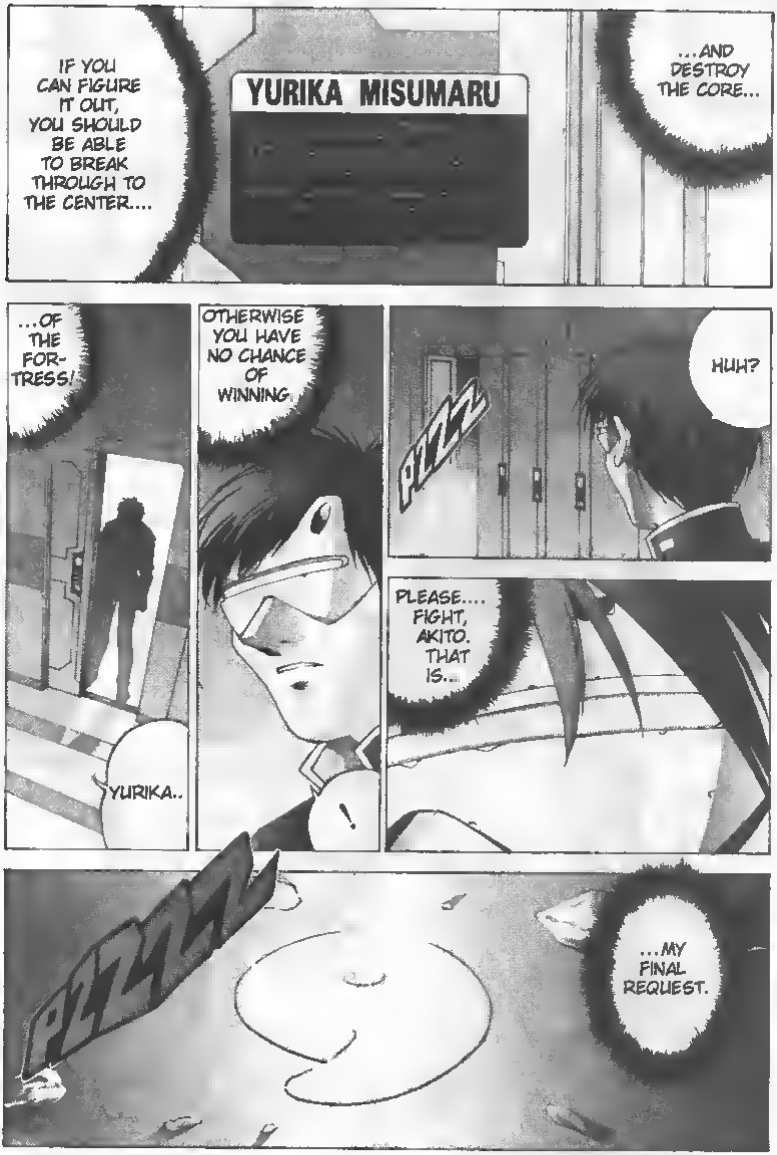
IF WE GIVE UP NOW, WE'LL HAVE NO FUTURE! LET'S FIGHT AND MAKE A FUTURE FOR OURSELVES!!
THE SPACE BATTLESHIP KAGUYA SHALL JOIN FORCES WITH NADESICO!!
THREE MINUTES TO DEADLINE!! KAGUYA CREW, PREPARE FOR BATTLE!!
HHRRR MM
RELEASE THE DISTORTION FIELD!! SET TRANSFER ENGINE TO FULL POWER!
VREEE
VRREE
VRREE

FINE. GO TO HELL, EARTH BATTLESHIPS!!
BAM
BAM
BAM
SOON, WE WILL PUT PROJECT AMATERASU...
...INTO OPER-ATION!

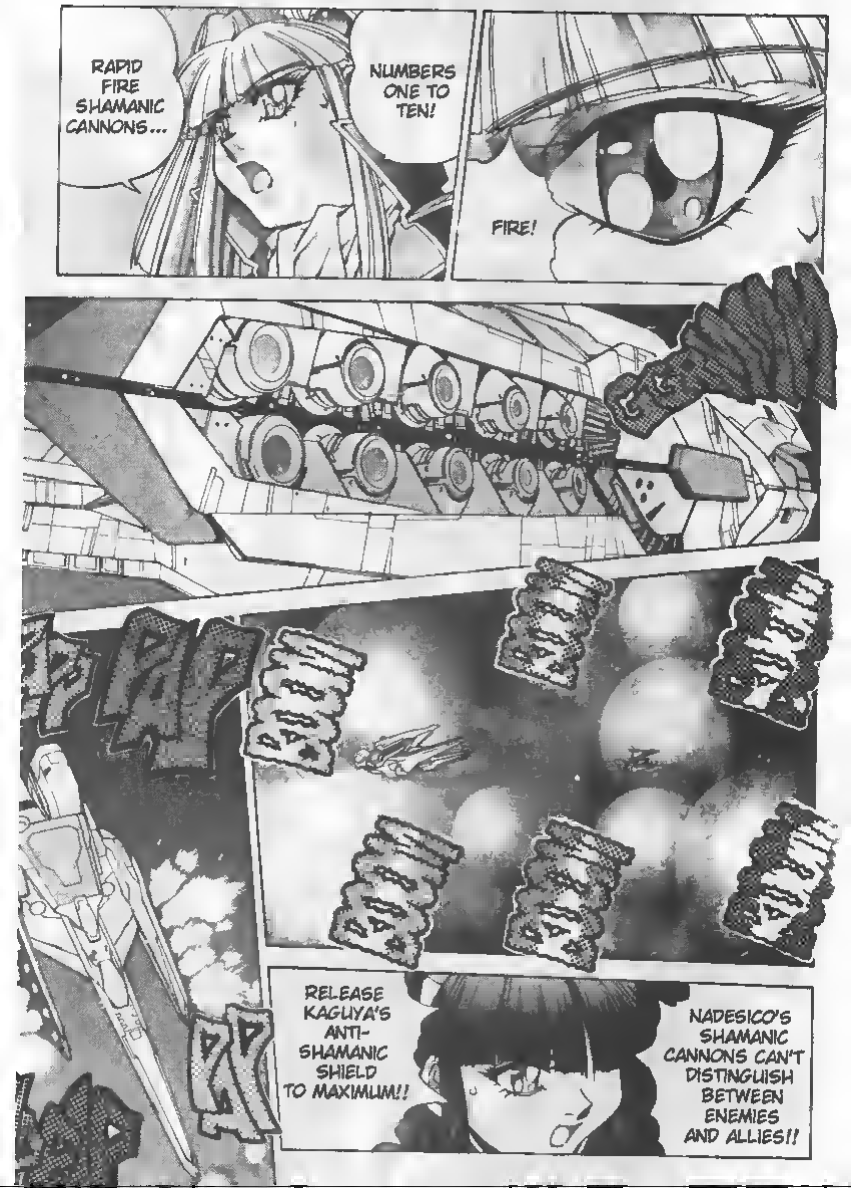
IT'S TIME.
OKAY.
.....
PREPARE TO LAUNCH DOUBLE GRAVITY BLAST.
ROGER.
THE ENEMY IS MAKING THEIR MOVE.

MAY GOD GRANT US DIVINE PROTEC-TION!!
SPACE BATTLESHIP YAMATO/ NADESICO LIFTING OFF!!

BAM
BLAM BLAM
BLAM
DESTROY THEM!! ANNIHILATE THEM!! THOSE MISERABLE BATTLESHIPS OF EARTH!!
VRE-
VRE-
SPACE BATTLE-SHIP KAGUYA....
...LIFT-ING OFF!!
VRESSE
VR


IF YOU CAN FIGURE IT OUT, YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO BREAK THROUGH TO THE CENTER....
YURIKA MISUMARU
...AND DESTROY THE CORE...
...OF THE FOR-TRESS!
YURIKA..
OTHERWISE YOU HAVE NO CHANCE OF WINNING.
!
PIZZZ
HUH?
PLEASE.... FIGHT, AKITO. THAT IS...
PIZZZ
...MY FINAL REQUEST.

.....
AKITO....
AKITO...
AKITO..
HUP
!
YURIKA!?
AKITO.... MY BELOVED AKITO....
YURIKA!! IS THAT YOU, YURIKA!?
WHERE ARE YOU!? WHERE ARE YOU!?
CLICK
AKITO... I'M SORRY IT HAD TO COME TO THIS.
THE YAMATO FLEET WAY OUT-NUMBERS EARTH..
ZAKKI ZAKKI
YURIKA.
BUT MOST OF THE SHIPS ARE UN-MANNED...
YAMATO HAS A UNIQUE ATTACK STRATEGY.
YURIKA....


RAPID FIRE SHAMANIC CANNONS...
NUMBERS ONE TO TEN!
FIRE!
POP
POP
RELEASE KAGUYA'S ANTI-SHAMANIC SHIELD TO MAXIMUM!!
NADESICO'S SHAMANIC CANNONS CAN'T DISTINGUISH BETWEEN ENEMIES AND ALLIES!!

BOO
BLAM
BLAM BLAM
ZOOM
ZOOM
ZOO

AMAZING..
THE SHAMANIC CANNONS PUT ENOUGH PRESSURE ON THE ENEMY'S SHIP TO MAKE IT SELF-DESTRUCT.
CAPTAIN!
HUFF HUFF
HUFF
BUT... IT.... IT...
MEDICAL EMERGENCY CREW TO THE BRIDGE ...STAT!!
HUFF HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
...COULD JUST AS EASILY ATTACK US.
UNLESS WE STRETCH THE SHIELD TO MAXIMUM CAPACITY.....
HUFF HUFF
HUFF
WE HAVE NO CHANCE OF SURVIVING..... HUFFF...
THE BEST WAY TO FIGHT YAMATO IS WITH MAGIC.
IT'S THE HARDEST THING FOR US NUNS TO DO, BUT IF WE WANT TO WIN THIS WAR AGAINST YAMATO, WE HAVE NO CHOICE.
AND, OF COURSE, KAGUYA....
HAS SHAMANIC CANNONS AS WELL.
THEY'RE READY TO FIRE ANYTIME.
GRIN

WHAM
BAM
SLAM
WHAM
BAM
SLAM
WHAM
BAM
WHAM
BAM
SLAM
WHAM
BAM
WHAM
BAM
SLAM
WHAM
B

DAMN!!
DAMN!!
DAMN!! WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO!?
YURIKA!!
WHAT SHOULD I DO!? I HAVE TO SAVE YOU!!
WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?
WHAT DO I WANT TO DO?
I....I....
DAMN!!
AKITO'S EXABYTE IS TAKING OFF!!

WE NEED TO PENETRATE THE FLAGSHIP TAKAMAGA-HARA!!
ALL SHIPS, FULL SPEED AHEAD!! SHAMANIC CANNONS, STANDBY!!
WSH
WSH
WSH
WSH

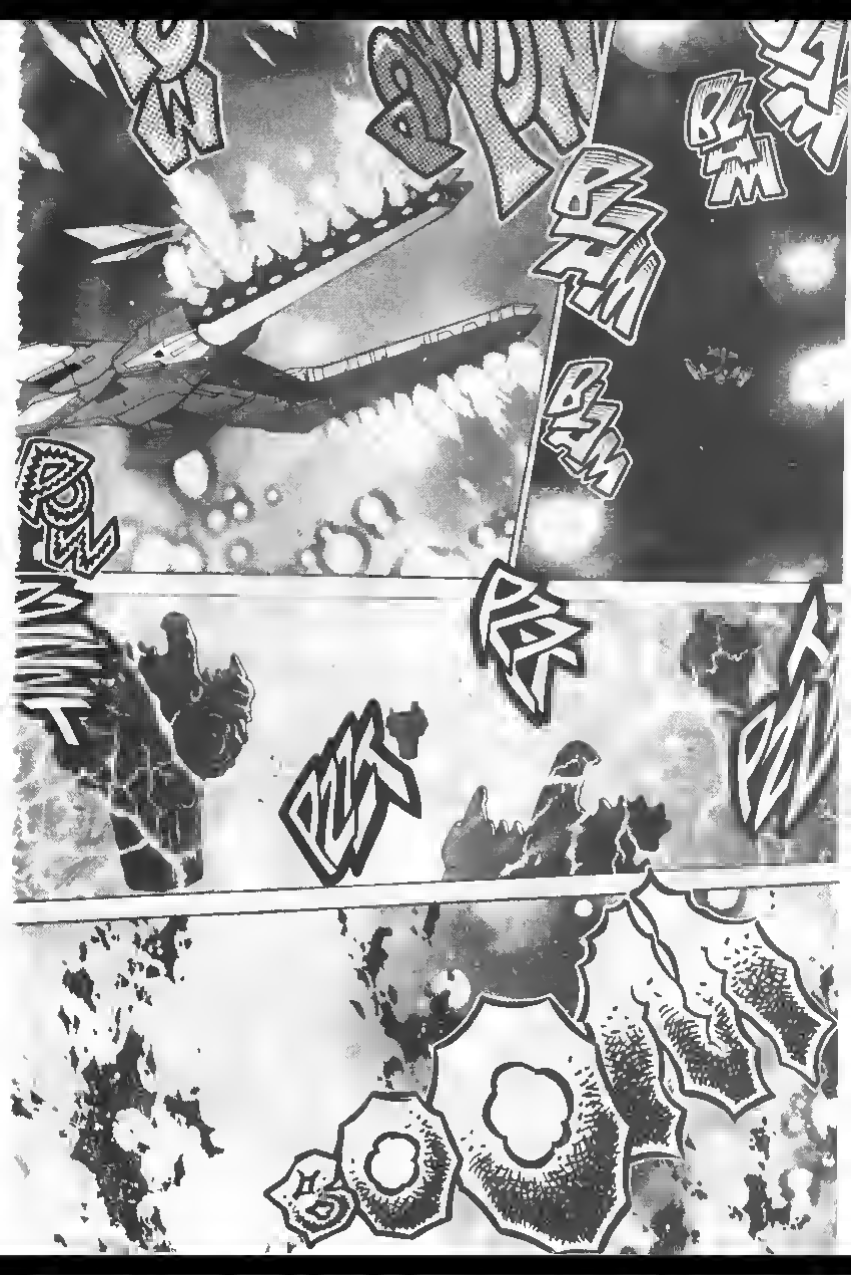
BOOOM
WAS THAT A HIT!?
IT CAME FROM BEHIND. THERE SHOULD BE ANOTHER ONE IN 30 SECONDS.
GET THE REAR OF THE SHIP ON THE MONITOR!!
WHAT THE HELL IS THAT!?
.....
BAM BAM
WHOA!!

AND YOU'LL BE MY PRINCE, RIGHT, AKITO?
YES, YURIKA!
BYE FOR NOW, AKITO.
BYE!
YURIKA.... WAIT!!
AKITO... AKITO! AT LAST, WE MEET AGAIN!
AKITO YOU'RE A FOOL!

FF WOO
PA PAP PAP

UREE
UREE
UREE
NADESICO.... IT'S NO USE RESISTING. I WON'T LET YOU LAY ONE FINGER ON HIMIKO!!
ALL SHIPS COMMENCE FULL ATTACK!! DESTROY THEM!
IT'S TSUKIYOMI'S FOR-TRESS.....
THE ONE THAT DESTROYED THE MOON.....
LET'S FIGHT!!

REDIRECT SQUAD 206 TO 3 O'CLOCK!!
SQUAD 420 TO 2 O'CLOCK!!
HURRY!
.....
WE WON'T BE ABLE TO CARRY OUT PROJECT AMATERASU UNLESS WE HAVE ALL OF THE YASAKANI JEWELS...
ONE MORE... ONE MORE... WHERE THE HELL IS THE LAST ONE!?
YURIIIIKA!!
BLAM BLAM BLAM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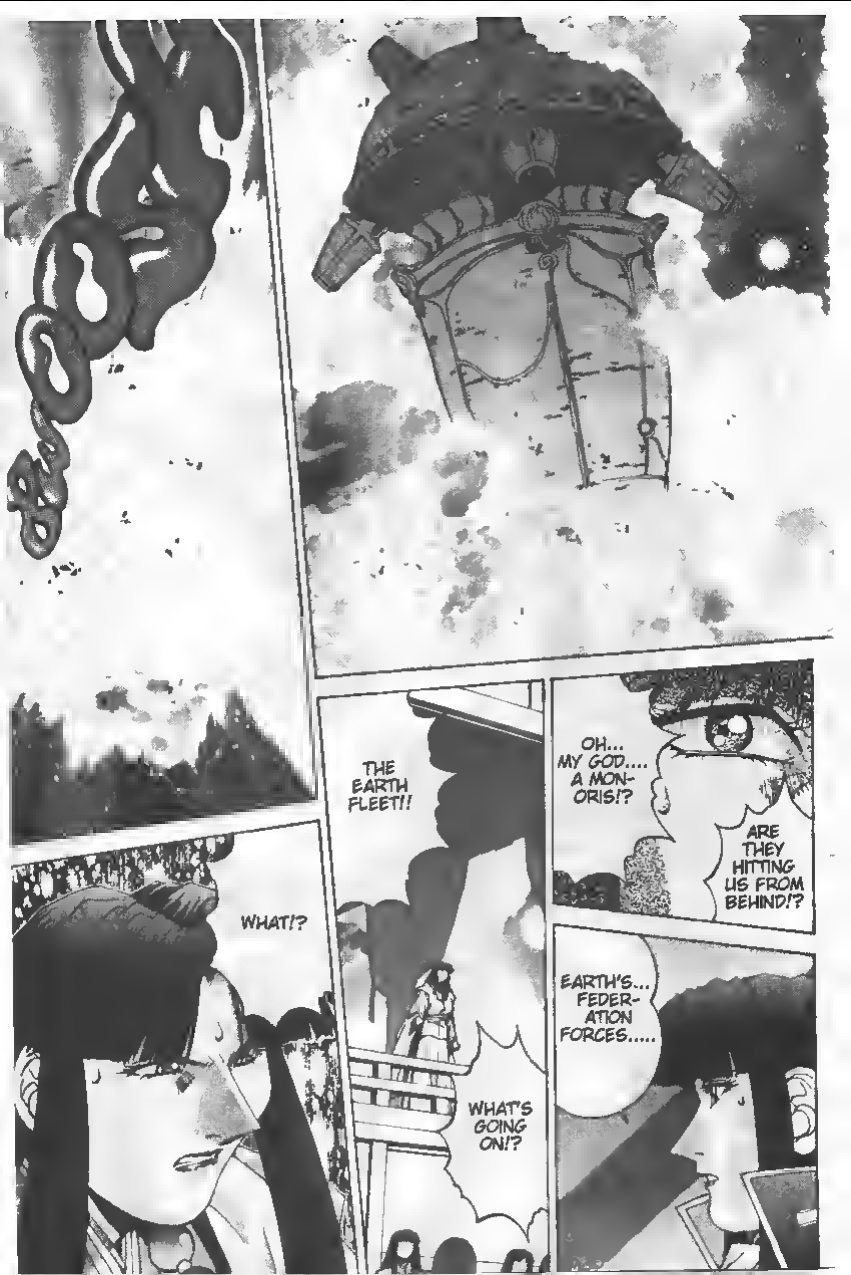
BOOM
BOOM


WHAT!?
THE EARTH FLEET!!
WHAT'S GOING ON!?
OH... MY GOD.... A MONORIS!?
ARE THEY HITTING US FROM BEHIND!?
EARTH'S... FEDERATION FORCES.....

THIS WILL BE THE END OF THE NADESICO MODEL. IT HAS KEPT ME, TSUKIYOMI, SUPPRESSED TOO LONG....
THE HONOR-ABLE NADESICO.
IGNORE THE SMALLER WEAPONS!! FOCUS ATTACKS ON THE FORTRESS!!
USE MAXIMUM FIRE-POWER!!
BRRUM
UGH....
HMPH!
BRRUM
BRRUM

WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THE ENEMY FLEET!! KAGUYA, FOLLOW NADESICO!!
BU.... BUT!!
THESE SHIPS ARE JUST COPIES, BUT THEY'RE AS GOOD AS NADESICO!! GIMME TEN OF 'EM!!
ONE NADESICO IS WORTHLESS BY ITSELF!!
MY DAUGHTER.... PLEASE SAVE MY DAUGHTER!!
PLEASE, OLD MAN.
SPACE BATTLESHIP KAGUYA TAKING POSITION AS BACK-UP FOR NADESICO!!
ALL SHIPS UNDER ADMIRAL MISUMARU'S COMMAND, FOLLOW KAGUYA!! FULL SPEED AHEAD!! LOAD ALL CANONS!!

ナデシコよ永遠に
第24話
BE FOREVER NADESICO
I FEEL RIGHT AT HOME ON THE BATTLE-FIELD.
I WON'T LET THIS DATA GO TO WASTE.
ALL SHIPS, PREPARE FOR ATTACK!!
VRRR
VRRR
TAKE A LOOK AT THIS NADE-SICO-CLASS FLEET!!
DAMN YAMATO! I'M GONNA BLAST YOU OUT OF THIS SOLAR SYSTEM.... IN THE NAME OF KOICHIRO MISUMARU!!
IT'S THE FLAGSHIP SUSANO! THE CAPTAIN.....
BESIDES THE FLAGSHIP, THEY'RE ALL NADESICO CLASS BATTLESHIPS

DON'T LET NADESICO NEAR HIMIKO!!
I WON'T LET THOSE EARTH SHIPS LAY ONE FINGER ON HIMIKO!!
ANALYSIS OF ENEMY BATTLE STRATEGY COMPLETE!! DISTRIBUTING DATA TO THE ENTIRE EARTH FLEET.
PREPARE FOR AUTO-ATTACK!! LET'S PENETRATE THAT CORE!!
LET THE UNMANNED WEAPONS FIGHT THE EARTH FLEET!! LET'S HEAD FOR TAKA-MAGAHARA!!
FULL SPEED AHEAD!!
EXABYTE SQUAD, STAY WITH NADESICO!
HUFF
WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PLAY IT BY EAR!
HUFF
PAP PAP PAP PAP PAP
THE SHAMANIC CANNONS ARE STILL FIRING.
I WONDER IF CAPTAIN RURI IS ALRIGHT?
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF

NADESICO! CAN YOU HEAR ME!? THIS IS AKITO!! MOST OF YAMATO'S SHIPS ARE UNMANNED!!
THEY HAVE ONE SPECIFIC ATTACK STRATEGY! IF WE CAN FIGURE IT OUT, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO PENETRATE THE CORE!!
NADESICO'S COMPUTER SHOULD BE ABLE TO WORK IT OUT!
BU...BUT HOW DO YOU KNOW?
YURIKA... YURIKA TOLD ME!!
SHE TOLD ME TO DESTROY THE CORE OF THE FORTRESS!
SHE SAID IF I DON'T WE CAN'T WIN.....
THAT'S AN ORDER FROM YURIKA, NADESICO'S FORMER CAPTAIN!!
YURIKA..
HOW COULD THERE BE SO FEW SURVIVORS FROM SUCH A HUGE FLEET?
.....
COULD THEY BE THAT WEAK-ENED?

I AM FINE, RURI. I AM STILL FUNCTIONING. THANKS TO ME, AKITO IS STILL FINE, TOO.
DAMN IT, SHUT UP, 98!
I MUST GIVE YOU RURI'S INSTRUCTIONS.
CRUSH
CRUSH
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME AKITO HAS MADE A DECISION ON HIS OWN.
HE'S GROWING UP.
PLEASE, AKITO....
NADESICO IS NOW FUNCTIONING AS SUPPORT FOR AKITO'S EXABYTE!
AKITO HAS TO MAKE IT TO TAKAMAGAHARA UNHARMED!!

NADESICO HEADING FOR TAKAMA-GAHARA!!
I NEED BACKUP!! I CAN CLEAR OUT ALL THESE WEAPONS, BUT....
I DON'T THINK I CAN SAVE YURIKA!!
BU... BUT... CAN WE DO THIS WITH ONLY ONE SHIP?
I WANT TO BRING YURIKA BACK!
THIS IS A REQUEST. LET ME GO IN AND TRY!! I'M THE ONE TO DO THIS!
IT'S SUICIDE.
BUT....
I SUPPOSE THERE'S A SLIGHT CHANCE.
GOING IN WITH A BIG BATTLESHIP WOULD JUST ATTRACT THE UNMANNED WEAPONS.
BUT HOW DO YOU INTEND TO GET TO THE CORE!?
I'LL NAVI-GATE.
I'VE GOT THE TAKAMAG-AHARA DATA.
98! CAN YOU HEAR ME?

BOOM
BAM
BAM
UGH..
HUFF
HUFF
ARE YOU OK, RURI?
MURA-SAME, GET RURI TO THE MEDICAL UNIT!!
I, HOUSHOU, WILL FIGHT WITH CONVEN-TIONAL WEAPONS!!
DESTROY THE LEFT GRAVITY BLADE!!
THE SHAMANIC CANNONS .....!!
RURI!! HANG IN THERE!!
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
PREPARE TO LAUNCH A DOUBLE GRAVITY BLAST!!
RURI!!
HUFF
HUFF
POWER FROM THE ENGINES IS DROPPING. THE DISTORTION FIELD HAS VANISHED. THE ENEMY IS APPROACHING!!

I'M GETTING CLOSE TO THE ENEMY FLAG-SHIP...
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
UGH....
I WASN'T EXPECTING THEM TO HAVE SUCH A STRONG DEFENSE!!
UGH!!
CAPTAIN RURI!!
UUU...
H... HIMIKO....
MEDICAL EMERGENCY CREW TO THE BRIDGE.... STAT!!

TSUKI-YOMI'S FORT-RESS!!
WE CAN'T LET THEM GET ANY FURTHER!!
FIRE THE SUPER GRAVITY BLAST!!
RETREAT AT FULL SPEED!! HURRY!!
WE'RE TOO LATE!

DISTORTION FIELD POWER IS DROPPING! THE FRONT OF THE YAMATO UNIT, C-4 THROUGH D-12, HAS BEEN DESTROYED!!
NADESICO IS COMPLETELY VULNERABLE.
WE'LL HAVE TO MANAGE WITH CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS!!
I H WE DO
RYOKO COMIN BACK
THE ENGINES ARE STILL LOSING POWER!! WE'VE LOST THE ANTI-SHAMANIC FIELD!!
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE WE CAN USE!? IF SO, MOVE IT TO THE ASSAULT PIT!!
KWOOOM
HUH....?

TSUKIYOMI'S FORTRESS HAS JUST EXPLODED!! PREPARE FOR THE SHOCK WAVES!!
YURIKA
ACTIVATE THE ANTI-SHOCK DEFENSE!!
NOW ONLY THE FLAGSHIP TAKAMAG-AHARA IS LEFT.
HIMIKO... I MEAN YURIKA... IS IN THERE!

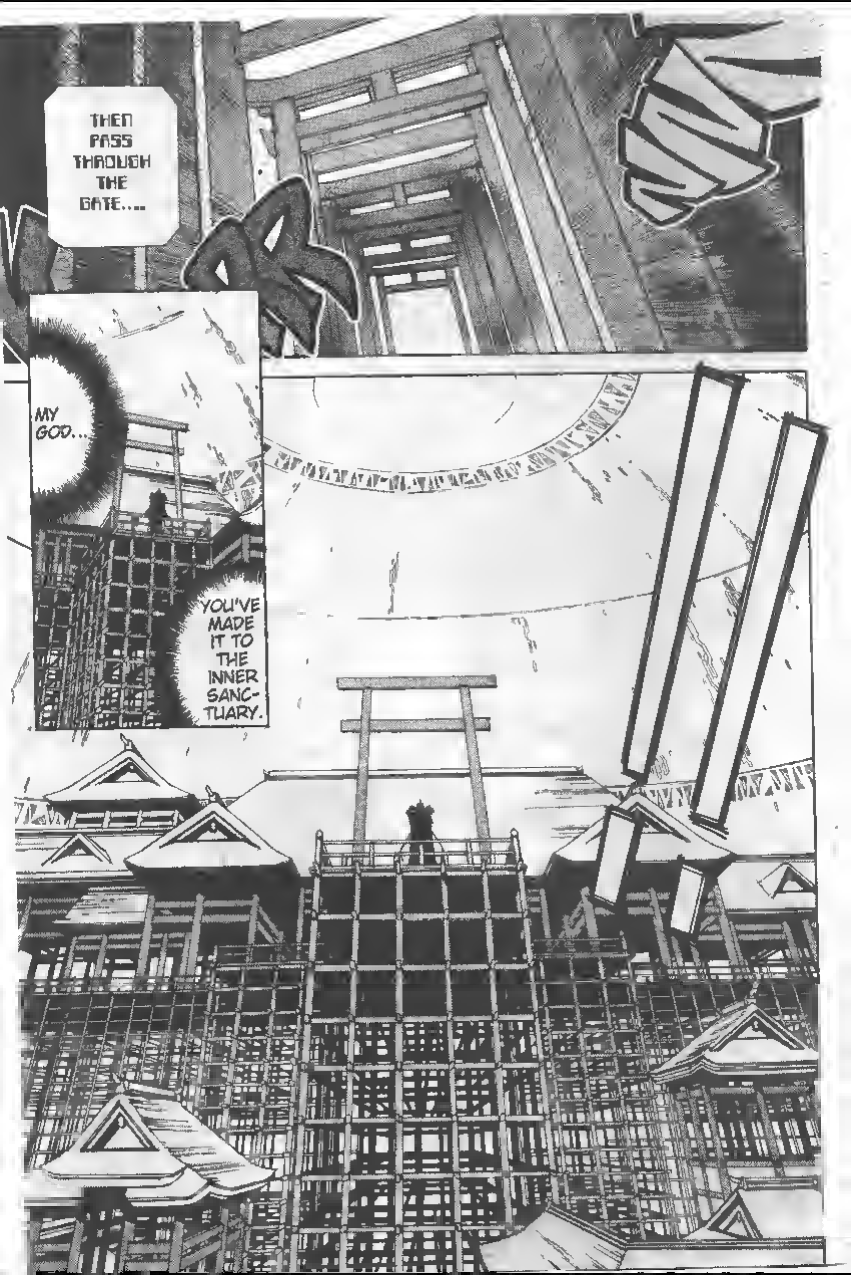
IT'S TIME TO TURN THE FUTURE OVER TO THE YOUNG.... HA HA HA HA
THIS LOOKS LIKE THE END.
OTOTACH-IBANA!? ADMIRAL HOUME!'S...
HE'S STILL ALIVE!?
IS THAT...
WHAT!?
TAKE CARE!

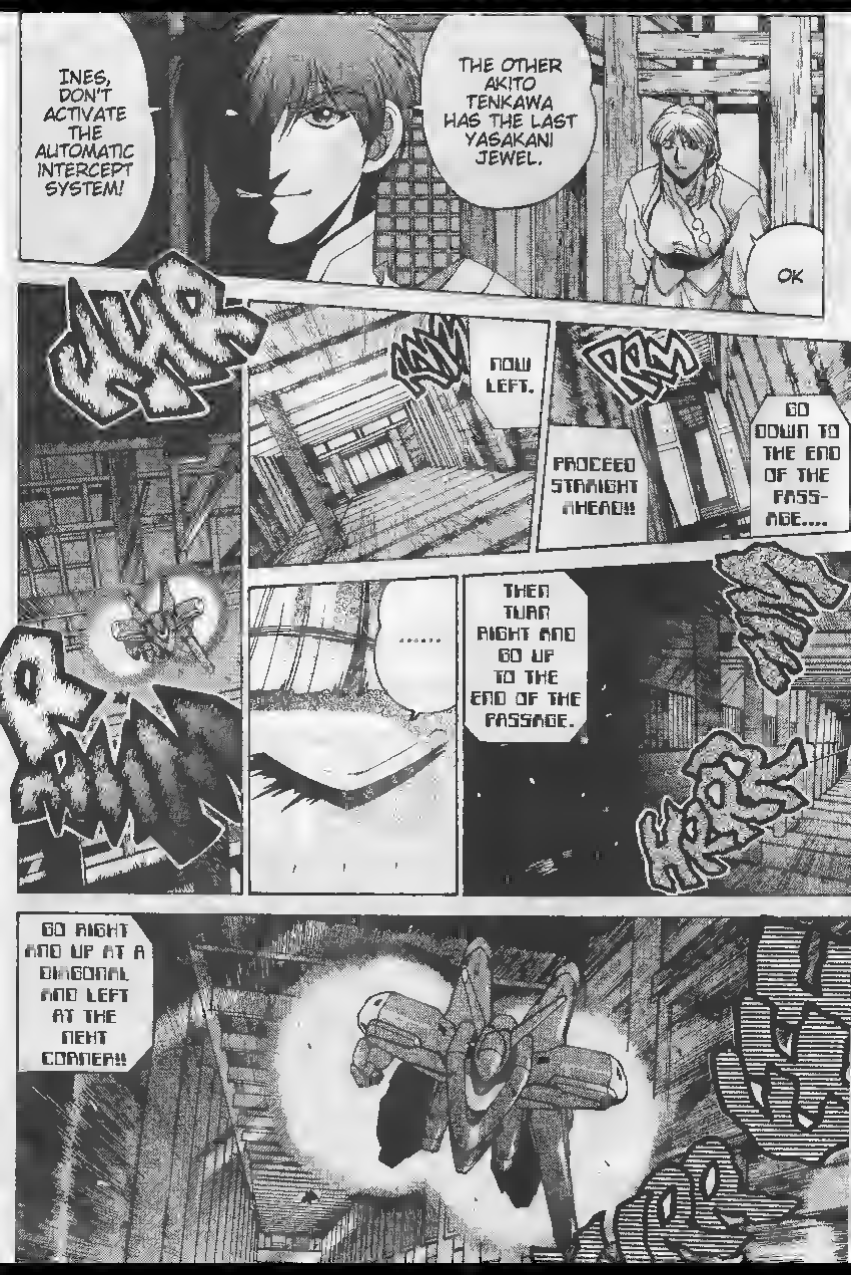
THE GATE IS RIGHT THERE, BUT...
NADE-SICO CAN'T BACK ME UP HERE!!
IS THERE NO OTHER WAY?
!!
BOOM
TOSHIRO IS BECOMING A PROBLEM.
SP...SPACE VAGRANT CAPTAIN GOVERNMENT!!
AN-OTHER... ME....
LET'S GO AKITO!!
THE REAL ENEMY IS SUSANO!!
WARR
GOO
SHEEE

THEY'RE COMING, HIMIKO.
THEY'RE COMING TO TAKE YOU BACK.
BUT I REFUSE TO HAND YOU OVER TO THEM.
YAMATO AND I.....
NEED YOU..... DO YOU UNDER-STAND? WE ARE THE FUTURE.
WE MUST DRAW LIGHT FROM THE UNIVERSE.
IF WE CAN SUMMON LIGHT TO US, YAMATO WILL NOT PERISH.
.....
THIS IS AKITO.... I HAVE ARRIVED AT TAKAMAGAHARA.
BUT....
I'M SUR-ROUNDED!! DAMN!!
HMM... I WASN'T EXPECTING THIS....I CAN'T QUITE BELIEVE IT.
HEH... COULD IT BE? GREAT!

CAPTAIN RURI, YOU SHOULDN'T BE UP!
I HAVE TO GET BACK TO THE BATTLE. I'VE BEEN WAITING 30 MILLION YEARS FOR THIS. THE TIME HAS FINALLY COME TO DESTROY SUSANO ....I CAN'T MISS THIS CHANCE.
WHAT'S THE STATUS ON AKITO!?
CON-FIRMED.
THAT'S HOW A FORWARD UNIT IS SUPPOSED TO WORK.
THEY'VE RETURNED TO THEIR PREVIOUS FORM!!
THE YAMATO UNIT HAS BEEN ANNIHI-LATED!! KILL THE TRANSFER ENGINES!! CUT THEM OFF!!
THIS SHIP ALWAYS ACTS WITHOUT PLANNING AHEAD!!
THAT'S RIGHT.
THEY DON'T EVEN HAVE A SPARE EXABYTE.

YOU HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO LET FATE TAKE ITS COURSE!! YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE YET, DO YOU!?
DO YOU UNDERSTAND, HIMIKO? THAT OTHER AKITO IS BRINGING THE FINAL JEWEL.
WHAT THE... HEH HEH HEH HEH... I GUESS GOD IS ON MY SIDE.
THAT WILL MAKE EIGHT AND THE LIGHT WILL BE OURS.
HURRY UP, AKITO TENKAWA.
FREEZE!


THEN PASS THROUGH THE GATE....
MY GOD...
YOU'VE MADE IT TO THE INNER SANC-TUARY.


INES, DON'T ACTIVATE THE AUTOMATIC INTERCEPT SYSTEM!
THE OTHER AKITO TENKAWA HAS THE LAST YASAKANI JEWEL.
OK
GRR
NOW LEFT.
PROCEED STRAIGHT AHEAD!!
GO DOWN TO THE END OF THE PASS-AGE....
.....
THEN TURN RIGHT AND GO UP TO THE END OF THE PASSAGE.
GO RIGHT AND UP AT A DIAGONAL AND LEFT AT THE NEXT CORNER!!

YURIKA!!
THIS IS SUSANO!! I'M WARNING YOU, AKITO! DON'T GET OUT OF YOUR ROBOT!!
AKITO!!
YUR-IKA!!
!!
ALIGH
UGH

YURIKA!!
STOP RIGHT THERE, EARTH WEAPON!! IF YOU MOVE ANOTHER INCH, I WILL KILL MYSELF WITH THIS SWORD.
YURIKA, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
THIS IS NOT A THREAT! IT JUST SHOWS HOW MUCH I LOVE YAMATO.
PROJECT AMATERASU IS ALREADY IN OPERATION! I AM WILLING TO RISK MY LIFE SO THE YAMATO PEOPLE CAN LIVE.
THP
YURIKA! STOP!!
OK... OK... I'LL CALM DOWN.
GOOD... THEN DISCARD YOUR WEAPON AND SURRENDER.

HEH.... SO SHOW ME YOUR STUFF....
MY OTHER ME!
I WILL GET YURIKA BACK! I'LL GET HER BACK!
I WILL GET YURIKA BACK!
I.... NEED.... YURIKA!
YURIKA IS ALL I NEED!!
I WILL....
YURIKA

YOU ARE STRONGER THAN I THOUGHT. BUT SINCE YOU ARE ME IN ANOTHER UNIVERSE, I WOULDN'T WANT IT ANY OTHER WAY.
YURIKA IS LIVING AS HIMIKO FOR ME. I HAVE NO INTENTION OF GIVING HER BACK. IF YOU WANT HER, YOU'LL HAVE TO FIGHT ME!
ARE... ARE YOU SUSANO?
AKITO
ALRIGHT THEN, I'LL GET HER BACK!
THIS BATTLE WAS INEVITABLE ANYWAY!!
LET'S STOP WASTING TIME AND GET THIS OVER WITH!!
GOVERN-MENT!! TAKE CARE OF YURIKA!!
I'M GONNA GET RID OF THIS GUY!!
AKITO..
ARE YOU SURE YOU ARE OK?

YOU CRY TOO EASILY...
AND EXPECT TOO MUCH OF PEOPLE.
YOU ALWAYS, ALWAYS BRING ME BAD LUCK!!
BAD LUCK....
I AM A YAMATO.... HIMIKO.... NO...I AM...
BUT YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN SWEET...
AND SO GENTLE.
BEING WITH YOU OR NOT BEING WITH YOU....
I AM... SWEET...
BEING WITH ME.... OR NOT BEING WITH ME....

...GET HER BACK!!
!
YURIKA! YOU WILL BE MY BRIDE!
ARE YOU AWAKE, HIMIKO?.... I MEAN YURIKA.
YOU'VE BEEN SELFISH AND RECKLESS SINCE YOU WERE...
...A CHILD.
I AM... YURI... KA.
NO... HIMIKO... I AM....

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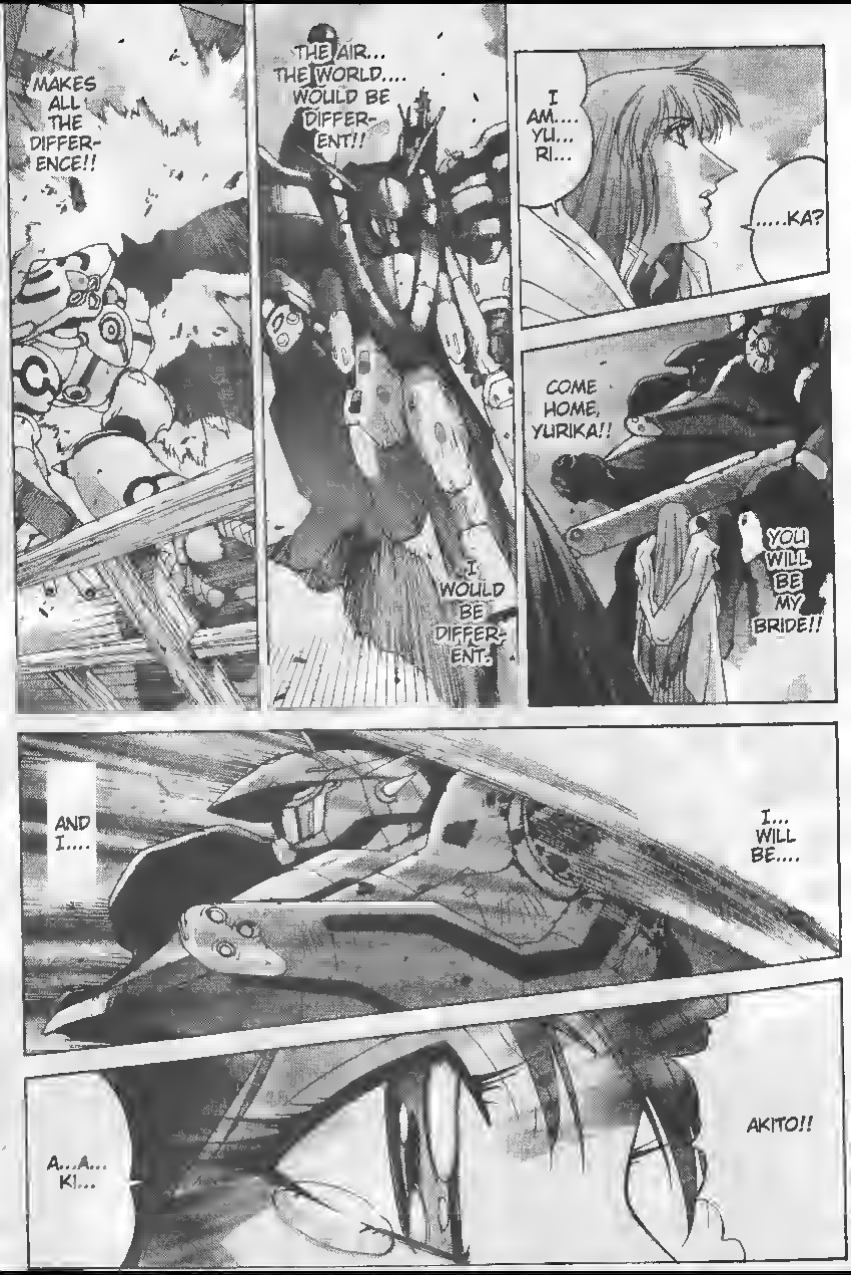
MAKES ALL THE DIFFER-ENCE!!
THE AIR... THE WORLD.... WOULD BE DIFFER-ENT!!
I WOULD BE DIFFER-ENT.
I AM.... YU... RI...
.....KA?
COME HOME, YURIKA!!
YOU WILL BE MY BRIDE!!
AND I....
I... WILL BE....
A...A... KI...
AKITO!!

AKITO
THIS IS NOT....A DREAM... AKITO.
YURI-KA... ARE YOU AWAKE?
YU... YURIKA!!
!!
AUGH
THUD
YURIKA!! HURRY ON!
CLICK

UGH

CLICK
AUGH....
THUD
IF YOU HAD BEEN MORE ATTENTIVE WHEN HIMIKO CALLED FOR YOU.....
INES...
INES
AAUGH
GOV-ERN-MENT!?
YOU'RE.... YOU'RE BLEEDING TERRIBLY..... WE BETTER GET BACK QUICK!!
NO....

THERE'S A BUG PLANTED IN HER STOMACH. THAT'S HOW SUSANO CONTROLS HER.
BLARGH
UUK!!
PLUNK
GREE
GREE
THAT'S IT!
YURI-KA....
UU...
A... AKITO?
AKITO!? IT'S YOU.... IT'S REALLY YOU!!
YURI-KA....
AKITO! AKITO! AKITO!! I KNEW YOU WOULD COME RESCUE ME!! YOU REALLY ARE MY PRINCE!!
UNK

I HAVE NOW GOT THE FINAL JEWEL. I DON'T NEED HIMIKO ANYMORE.
I CAN SUMMON HIM WITH THIS.
PRO-JECT AMA-TERASU IS NOT FINISHED YET.
IT'S ONLY JUST BEGUN.
RUMK
GOOD! GOOD! GOOD!
THE YATANO MIRROR HAS BEEN FOUND ON JUPITER'S EQUATOR.
YAMA-TANOO-ROCHI!!

I COULDN'T SAVE HIMIKO'S LIFE BEFORE.... BUT THIS TIME.... I COULD
I'M SO GLAD.
GOV-ERN-MENT
SUSANO IS NOT DEAD. I'M GOING AFTER HIM.
AKITO, YOU TAKE YURIKA HOME
AREN'T YOU COMING WITH US, GOVERN-MENT?
I WILL CONTINUE TO PROTECT HIMIKO'S HEART.
I CAN'T DIE UNTIL I COMPLETE MY MISSION. WE SHALL MEET AGAIN SOMEWHERE IN THE COSMOS.
GOV-ERN-MENT...
LET'S GET BACK TO NADESICO
YEAH

THAT'S GREAT...
I BET YOU'RE SMOOCHING IN THAT LITTLE EXABYTE OF YOURS.
NOT EXACTLY.
HMM.... IT IS AWFULLY TIGHT IN HERE..... WELL, THAT'S THE WAY IT IS....
AHH
YEAH, YEAH.... I'VE HEARD ENOUGH.
HOW ARE YOU GUYS? ARE YOU OK?
WE'RE BACK TO THE ORIGINAL NADESICO SPACESHIP.
HOW IS RYOKO AND EVERYBODY?
HRR
THE YAMATO UNIT HAS BEEN DESTROYED, BUT WE'RE ALRIGHT
OUR EXABYTES ARE GONE, BUT WE'RE FINE.
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WITH A NADESICO EXABYTE NOW, AKITO. YOU'RE A GREAT PILOT.
AHH... SHUCKS.

WE HAVEN'T DETECTED A SOUND FROM THE ENEMY
HAVE YOU HEARD FROM EXA-BYTE!?
DON'T WORRY. AKITO WILL MAKE IT BACK
CAPTAIN RURI!
GET READY TO RETRIEVE HIM!
YOOO... THIS IS AKITO. I'VE ESCAPED THE TAKAMA-GAHARA!!
I'VE GOT CAPTAIN YURIKA MISU-MARU WITH ME!!
WE'RE COMING HOME!!
SEE....YOU CAN DO IT IF YOU TRY, AKITO.

GRRR
GRR

WHAT THE HELL IS IT!?
IT LOOKS LIKE A DRAGON MADE OF FLAMES.
YAMA-TANOO-ROCHI...
PSHOO
THAT'S WHAT PRO-JECT AMA-TERASU IS.
EVER SINCE YAMATO'S SUN DIED, YAMATO HAS BEEN SUCKING ENERGY FROM OTHER SUNS.
THE PROMI-NENCE DRAGON, YAMATA-NOOROCHI, WAS CREATED TO STORE ALL THAT ENERGY.

VRREEEEE
VRREEEEE
DETECTING HIGH ENERGY OBJECTS NEAR JUPITER'S EQUATOR!!
THEY'RE STARTING TO HAVE AN IMPACT ON JUPITER....
WHAT? WHAT ARE THEY!?
THE ENEMY SHOULDN'T HAVE ANY MORE MILITARY POWER!!
WUSH
HH
THERE'S NOTHING LEFT BUT DEATH FOR EVERYONE!!
THIS IS SUSANO!! I WON'T BE SATISFIED UNTIL EVERY LIVING CREATURE IS DEAD!!

THIS IS KAGUYA...THE KASANAGI SWORD HAS MADE IT INTO THE MASS CATCHER.
WE CAN BEGIN PREPARATIONS TO RETRIEVE IT.
THAT WAS A CINCH, RURI.
IT WAS THE RIGHT MOVE, JUST AS YOU SAID.
YEAH!
LET'S INFORM THE FEDERATION FORCES RIGHT AWAY.
PSHH
OOO
OOM
RETRIEVAL OF AKITO'S EXABYTE COMPLETE!
FIRING UP AUXILIARY ENGINE AT 73% POWER!
DEPARTING FROM TAKAMAGAHARA.
NADESICO, LIFTING OFF!!

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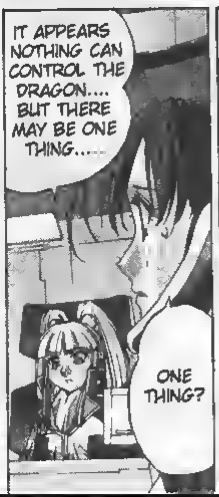
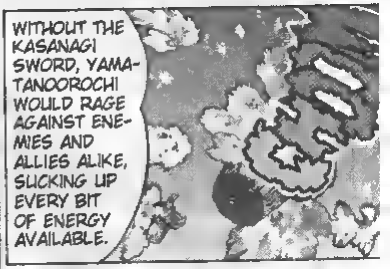
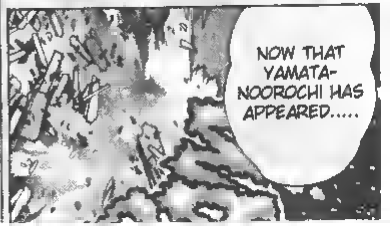
最終話 THE FINAL NADESICO




WITHOUT THE KASANAGI SWORD, YAMA-TANOOROCHI WOULD RAGE AGAINST ENE-MIES AND ALLIES ALIKE, SUCKING UP EVERY BIT OF ENERGY AVAILABLE.



ROAR
I'VE GOT THE KASANAGI SWORD!!
AKITO!
AKITO
AKITO...
WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU.
LET'S GO, YURIKA!!
I'M READY!
BEHEAD THE YAMATA-NOOROCHI WITH THE KASANAGI SWORD!
IF YOU DO, IT WILL BE OVER.

ALL WE NEED NOW IS THE KASA-NAGI SWORD!!
I'M STILL IN THE EXABYTE! I'VE JUST RECEIVED WORD FROM ADMIRAL MISU-MARU!!
I'M GOING TO GET IT!! YURIKA IS COMING WITH ME.
GOOD LUCK, AKITO!!
AKITO... ARE YOU ABOARD ?
THE SWORD MY MOTHER LAUNCHED HAS BEEN RETRIEVED BY JUPITER'S MASS CATCHER.
STEER CLEAR OF THE PROMI-NENCE DRAGON.
THERE'S NO OTHER WAY!!
IT LOOKS LIKE YAMATA-NOOROCHI IS HEADED FOR OUR SUN.
IT WILL SWALLOW IT RIGHT UP... WE'VE GOT TO STOP IT....

ZOOM
ZOOM
VROOOOO
GRRRRR
WHM
SLASH
SLASH
SPEEW

I HEAR.... A VOICE....
INSIDE MY HEAD.... IT'S TALKING TO ME.... IT'S WARM AND CLOSE TO ME....
WHAT'S WRONG, YURIKA?
IT'S HIMIKO.... THE REAL HIMIKO....
I'M POSI-TIVE.
YURIKA, YOU AND AKITO MUST FIGHT.
YOU MUST FIGHT TOGETH-ER.
GUNHAZARD
I WON'T LET YOU HAVE YOUR WAY ANY LONGER!

...IS BEING FULFILLED AT LAST, BY THE PEOPLE OF THIS EARTH.
NEOOOO

HIMI-KO, ARE YOU WATCH-ING?
YOUR WILL.....
GOOD!! THIS SHOULD BE THE END!!
AKITO!! WATCH BEHIND!!
KWAN
WOOSH

SIX MONTHS LATER .. ...
THIS IS THE ACTIVATION KIT FOR THE LATEST BATTLESHIP MODEL.
I SEE.
FIRST NERGAL, THEN ASUKA INDUSTRY, NOW OUR COMPANY, MAVERICK.
IT MUST BE DIFFICULT WITH SPONSORS CHANGING ALL THE TIME, BUT HANG IN THERE.
MAVERICK IS DIFFERENT FROM NERGAL AND ASUKA. WE'VE GOT A LONGER HISTORY.
THIS LATEST BATTLESHIP MODEL IS THE RESULT OF ALL OUR HIGH-TECH ADVANCES.

HIMIKO.....

JUN AOI... REPORTING FOR DUTY AS LIEUTENANT CAPTAIN OF THIS BATTLE-SHIP!
HUH?
THE CAP-TAIN HASN'T AR-RIVED YET.
EH?
SHIIIING
ZAK ZAK
WHERE THE HECK IS SHE? IS SHE LOST?
UHH.... UHH....
THE CAP-TAIN IS PROBABLY IN THE CAPTAIN'S QUARTERS.
REAL-LY?
CALL HER. THE CHRIS-TENING CEREMONY WILL START IN 20 MINUTES.
UH... YEAH.
AALIU
H... HUH?
WHOA

SHE MAY BE LIKE A WILD HORSE SOMETIMES, BUT TAKE GOOD CARE OF HER.
I'M LIKE A WILD HORSE MYSELF SOMETIMES.
AHH... SO YOU ARE.... I'M WELL AWARE.
WELL... GOTTA GO.
TWIRL
I'M NOT SO SURE ABOUT HER.
YAAAY!
LEAP

HIGH

CAPTAIN YURIKA MISUMARU HERE!!
SHIP
YEAH, I KNOW IT'S NOW MAVERICK.
AKITO, DID YOU KNOW THE FOUNDER IS A WOMAN NAMED LEVIA?
IT ALL WORKED OUT FOR THE BEST.
WE'RE ALL TOGETHER AGAIN.
OUR SPONSOR HAS CHANGED AGAIN, BUT LET'S KEEP WORKING AS WELL TOGETHER AS ALWAYS.
YEAH.
RIGHT!
SO.....
LET'S LAUNCH THE SPACE BATTLESHIP NADESICO!!

VREEE
VREEE
VREEEE
I LOVE YOU, AKITO!
OHHH BOY....

CHOOO

WON'T YOU BREAK MY SEAL, SUSANO?
IT IS DONE...I SHALL TAKE LEADER-SHIP OF EVERY-THING.
YES!
I HEAR RURI HOSHINO IS RESISTING ON THE OTHER SIDE.
BUT, DON'T FORGET, SHE'S JUST A REPLICA OF ME....
WITH HIMIKO GONE, I AM THE TRUE SHAMAN KING. EVERYTHING IS ABOUT TO BEGIN.
EVERY-THING!

WITH THE REAL YAMATO NADESICO

SPACESHIP NADESICO RAID——The End

I HAVE NOT.... LOST YET.....
YES... THERE IS STILL HOPE.
I AM ENTRUSTING YOU WITH EVERY-THING....WITH YAMATO AND SUSANO!
WOWGG
BLINK
RURI HOSHINO!!
YAMATO HAS NOT YET BEEN DEFEATED!
DONG

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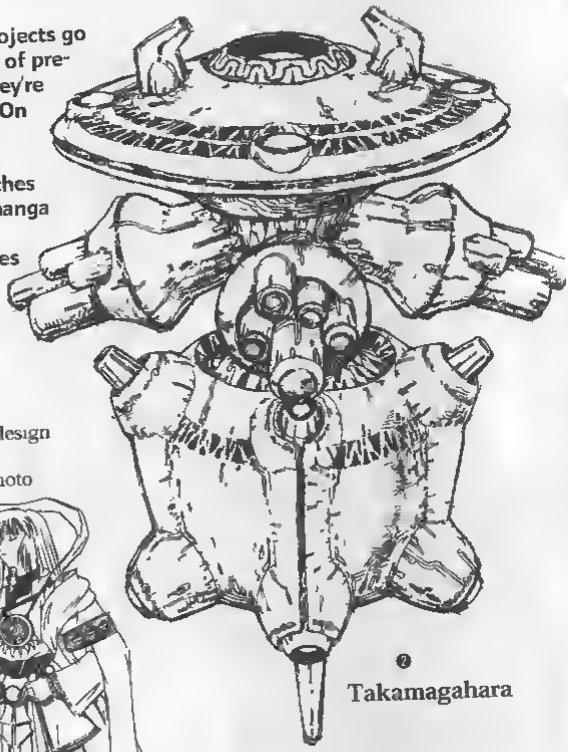
SKETCHBOOK

Anime and manga projects go through many stages of pre-production before they're ready for the public. On the following pages we've collected rare pre-production sketches for the NADESICO manga series. These are accompanied by notes from the actual artists and designers who drew them.

❶

Himiko

Revised costume design
Designer
Yasuhiro Morimoto



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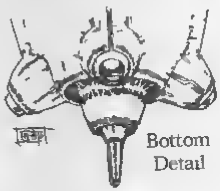
Takamagahara



Bottom Detail

❷The gigantic mother fortress of all fortresses. Because it portrays the villain, it is shaped like a mushroom. I guess you could say it's a benitengu mushroom.

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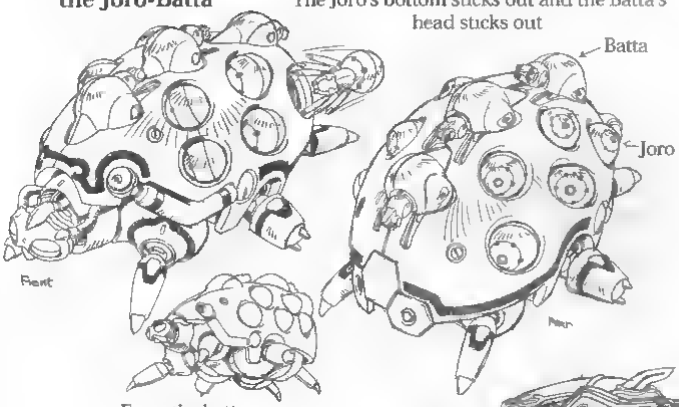
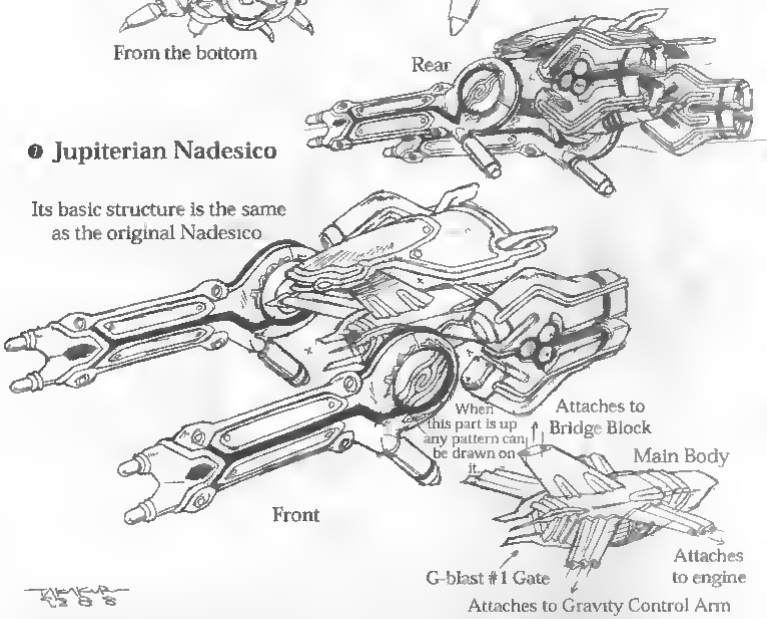
❻ Mother body of the Joro-Batta

This is a kind of mud doll with a tick motif
The Joro's bottom sticks out and the Batta's head sticks out



❼ Jupiterian Nadesico

Its basic structure is the same as the original Nadesico



❻ I intentionally designed this to look creepy. I used the tick motif but made its face look like a Jupiterian mud doll. ❼ I tried to imagine how people from the Jomon Period would see Nadesico. In other words, this is the Jomon version of Nadesico.
Translator's note: Jomon is the period in Japanese history ranging from 2600–400 B.C.

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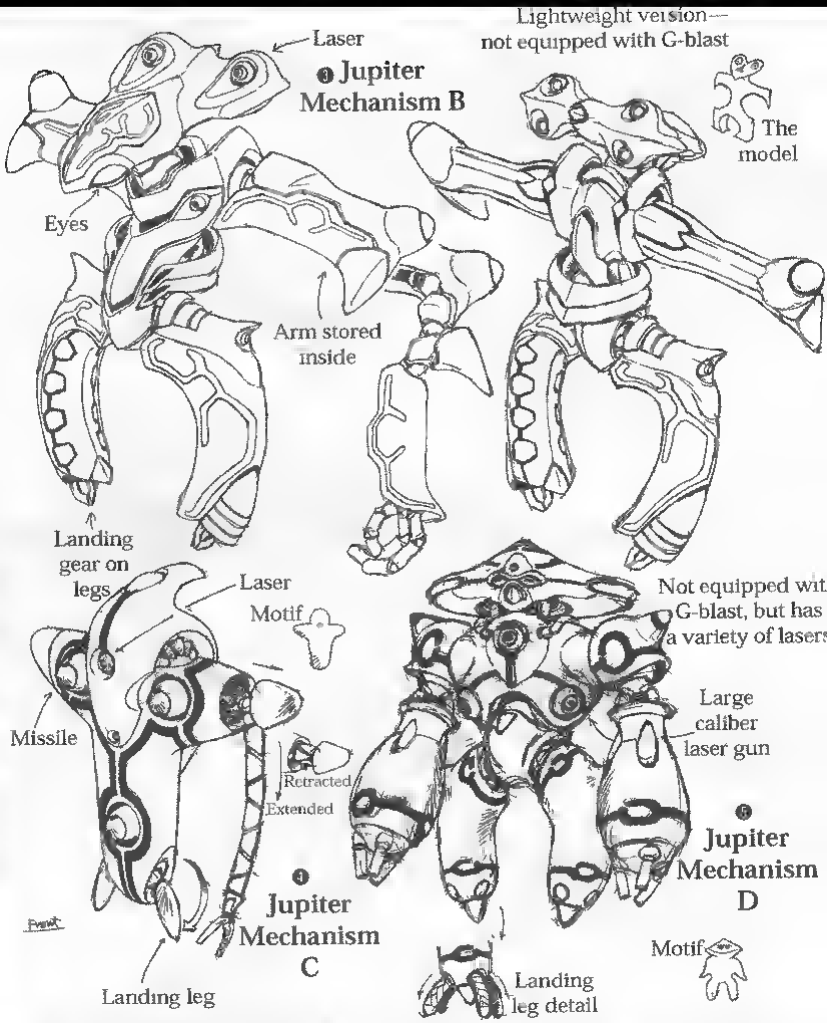

❸ A slim Jupiterian weapon without much offensive equipment, but designed for great maneuverability and strategic ability. Because of its lizard-like appearance, it has a very Jupiterian look. ❹ This robot has a heavy outer shell. It can launch three long range missiles and drive itself into the enemy. There are large numbers of them and they are very noisy. ❺ This robot could be like Dome from Gundam. Its maneuverability is poor, but it has a thick outer shell and is heavily armed. (It looks like a three-headed Vega—?)

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